Position: Visiting Assistant Professor of Theatre in Directing and Stage Management in the Department of Theatre, Patti and Rusty Rueff School of Visual and Performing Arts. Non-tenure track, academic year, two-year appointment; appointment begins August 14, 2017.

Salary: $56,000

Responsibilities: Teach beginning directing, the directorial process in production, and theatre appreciation or one course in another area of expertise to undergraduate (BA) and graduate students (MFA) in a setting that emphasizes university theatre productions as a training vehicle for student pre-professionals. Supervise stage managers and teach one course each semester in beginning stage management. Direct at least one production in either the mainstage or studio theatre. Supervise student-directed workshop productions and collaborate closely with full faculty, including one in theory/criticism, three in performance (acting, movement and voice) and five in design and technology (costumes, lighting, scenery, sound, technical direction), as well as a six-member professional staff, including shop managers in costumes, scenic construction and scene painting/props. Active engagement in student advising and recruitment, and departmental/university work is expected, as is continuing creative activity in professional theatre. We seek candidates who understand that theatre is a collaborative art and recognize that a curriculum and production program is a means of creating well-rounded students, educated in the theory and trained in the practice of theatre.

Qualifications: MFA in Theatre or related area is required with an emphasis in directing preferred. Professional directing is required. University directing experience in programs with graduate actors, designers and technicians preferred. University teaching experience in stage management, and in supervising and mentoring undergraduate stage managers strongly preferred. University teaching experience in large class theatre appreciation courses preferred. A background check is required for employment in this position.

The Program: The Department of Theatre is one of four academic units (including Art & Design, Dance, and Music) in the Patti and Rusty Rueff School of Visual and Performing Arts, one of eleven Departments/Schools in the College of Liberal Arts. The School has over 800 undergraduate majors, 60 graduate majors, and a faculty of 54. The Division of Theatre has 10 full-time faculty members, 6 full-time staff members, 70 BA students and 21 MFA students. The Division of Theatre moved into a new $47 million arts facility in Spring of 2006 Purdue University is accredited by the National Association of Schools of Theatre, and is a member of the University/Resident Theatre Association.

Procedure: Send letter of application, resume, and philosophy of teaching directing statement, three current letters of recommendation and a list of references with contact information electronically to:

Heather Philhower
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For additional information: Visit: www.purdue.edu/theatre

Deadline: Preferred application deadline is April 1, 2017. Screening will continue until the position is filled.

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