

Dance

Cottery College, a private liberal arts and sciences college for women, invites applications for a full-time, tenure-track position in dance starting August 2026.

The Department of Theatre and Dance is looking for a motivated candidate who is interested in teaching a broad range of courses in a student-centered, collaborative environment. The preferred candidate will have earned an M.F.A. in dance or an M.A. in a related field with relevant experience in dance.

The person in this position will teach courses that support our general education program and our dance minor. We seek a candidate who can teach a variety of dance techniques, improvisation, composition, and choreography; who has a primary expertise in choreography and performance-making, including experience working with musical theatre; and who can assist with the competitive dance team. The ideal candidate will have shown a record of excellence in undergraduate teaching and demonstrated evidence of professional work in dance.

The successful candidate should also expect to lead a significant artistic project each semester with students as part of the overall teaching load and to support an inclusive environment for all students regardless of gender pronouns, physical stature, or disabilities.

In addition to teaching, Cottery faculty advise and mentor students, sponsor student organizations, engage in service, and participate in the life of the College.

Cottery College, located in Nevada, Missouri, has offered young women the opportunity to learn and grow since 1884. It encompasses a diverse group of students, faculty, and staff, including first generation students, students awarded Pell Grants, students of color, international students, faculty of color, and international faculty. The successful candidate will have demonstrated favorable results in working with diverse populations. A Cottery education is guided by three threads: leadership, social responsibility, and global awareness. Cottery College helps each student excel as learners, leaders, and global citizens - providing a comprehensive and empowering experience in an intimate academic setting that transforms them to reach their highest potential.

Review of application begins upon receipt and continues until the position is filled. Send cover letter; curriculum vitae; statement of teaching philosophy, including philosophy of teaching a diverse student body; copies of transcripts, and the contact information for three references. Application materials should be submitted by email as PDF documents to Dr. Karla McCain, VPAA, Cottery College, Nevada, MO 64772. E-mail: acadaffairs@cottery.edu; Phone: 417-667-8181, ext. 2128. Applicants must be eligible to work in the US without sponsorship. Further

information about Cottey is available at <http://www.cottey.edu>. Cottey College is an Equal Opportunity Employer.