

## **STETSON UNIVERSITY**

### **COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES**

#### **POSITION:** Visiting Assistant Professor of Theatre Arts

Stetson University seeks a Visiting Assistant Professor of Theatre Arts with specialties in acting and performance. This is a full-time, 9-month position beginning in August 2026.

#### **QUALIFICATIONS:**

MA in Theatre Arts required by August 2026. MFA in a Performance Field preferred. The successful candidate will have an active creative and/or scholarly agenda and demonstrated excellence in teaching undergraduates.

#### **RESPONSIBILITIES:**

The annual load is equivalent to four courses in the Fall and Spring semester. The successful candidate will have the option for one of these courses to be an approved student-centered immersive experience (equivalent to one course) as part of the University's experiential, contemporary, and integrative learning initiative - Hatter Ready. Teaching responsibilities will include both Gen Ed courses and courses required for the Theatre Arts Major/Minor such as Intro to Theatre, Principles of Acting, and Principles of Directing. In addition, the successful candidate will also direct one mainstage production a year as a part of the 4/4 load. The successful candidate will also have the opportunity to work with Theatre Arts Faculty to revise the curriculum for the major/minor and to develop new courses for the program and for the College. For more information on our expectations in teaching and scholarship, our tenure policies, and our support for faculty development, please see the Academic Affairs website at <http://www.stetson.edu/administration/provost/prospective-faculty/index.php>

#### **THE DEPARTMENT:**

Stetson's Department of Creative Arts (<https://www.stetson.edu/artsci/creative-arts/>) takes a rigorous, interdisciplinary approach to undergraduate liberal arts education. Creative Arts is a hub for faculty & students who are passionate about the arts. Housed in the College of Arts and Sciences, the department is home to academic programs in Studio Art, Digital Arts, Museum and Curatorial Studies, and Theatre Arts. United by a shared commitment to creative practices, the department supports collaboration on curricular developments and event programming at the Second Stage Theatre and Hand Art Center.

#### **THE COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES:**

Stetson's College of Arts and Sciences (<http://www.stetson.edu/portal/artsci/>) is the largest and most diverse of the University's colleges and schools; it includes the humanities, social sciences, natural sciences, education, and creative arts. With nineteen academic departments and nine interdisciplinary programs, the College is the liberal arts core of the University. A great strength of the College is its faculty of approximately 140 full-time teacher-scholars. The College offers 31 undergraduate majors and 34 undergraduate minors; seven graduate degrees are offered in Education, Counselor Education, and Creative Writing. Every undergraduate major requires a senior research project, allowing students the opportunity to design and carry out independent research under faculty mentorship. Our academic programs are shaped by the values of social justice and civic responsibility. All of our courses and programs of study promote engaged

learning, whereby students create connections between the classroom or lab and the local, regional, and global community. The academic programs of the College of Arts and Sciences prepare students to live significant lives, to interact with and positively affect the world around them.

### **THE UNIVERSITY:**

Founded in 1883, Stetson University (<http://www.stetson.edu>) is a private, selective university comprised of a rich array of liberal arts and professional academic programs. Collectively, Stetson's faculty works with nearly 3,800 students in undergraduate, graduate, and professional programs. The University's historic main campus, located in DeLand, enrolls approximately 2,400 students in undergraduate programs in the College of Arts and Sciences, the School of Business Administration, and the School of Music. Stetson University College of Law, Florida's first law school, moved from the main campus to Gulfport in 1945, and, with the addition of the Tampa Law Center, serves approximately 1,000 students working full-time or part-time toward J.D. or LL.M. degrees. Graduate programs based at the main campus in DeLand include Business, Accounting, Education, Counseling, and Creative Writing, with Educational Leadership cohorts also offered at the Gulfport campus. Florida's oldest private institution of higher learning, Stetson has regularly been ranked among the best regional universities in the Southeast and was the first private college in Florida to be granted a chapter of Phi Beta Kappa. Stetson University provides an inspiring education that engages students with rigorous academic and creative study grounded in liberal learning and promotes civic values of personal and social responsibility. Working closely with faculty and with one another, students cultivate abilities to explore issues deeply, think critically, reason empirically, speak persuasively, and connect ideas creatively. Firmly committed to inclusive excellence, our vibrant community of teacher-scholars nurtures the potential of individual students to lead lives of significance and prepares each to meet the challenges of shaping the future—locally, nationally, and globally.

### **THE COMMUNITY:**

DeLand is a picturesque residential community of 38,000 located 20 miles west of Daytona Beach and 35 miles northeast of Orlando. The area offers extensive cultural as well as recreational activities.

**SALARY:** Salary is competitive.

**STARTING DATE:** August 10, 2026.

### **APPLICATION:**

Applicants should supply: 1) current CV, 2) cover letter, & 3) list of three references. In the cover letter, candidates are encouraged to highlight skills and experiences that demonstrate a commitment to promoting inclusive academic environments and engaging across differences.

All information may be submitted electronically to [creativearts@stetson.edu](mailto:creativearts@stetson.edu).

Review of applications will begin on March 27, 2026 and continue until the position is filled.

*Stetson University is an Equal Opportunity Employer that affirms inclusive environments and engaging across differences as a core value of academic excellence at Stetson University. We are committed to achieving equal access in education, employment, and participation through the recruitment and retention of outstanding faculty, staff, and students from a tapestry of diverse backgrounds, and to meaningful academic and intellectual transformation in curriculum, research and service. We are dedicated to actions and policies that foster a community in which individuals with various identities, cultures, backgrounds, and viewpoints work together to create opportunities for engagement through rewarding and fulfilling careers and personal experiences in an increasingly diverse society and a globalized world. We encourage qualified candidates across all backgrounds and identities to apply for employment, including members of historically underrepresented groups. Stetson University is an EEO, ADA, ADEA, and GINA employer.*