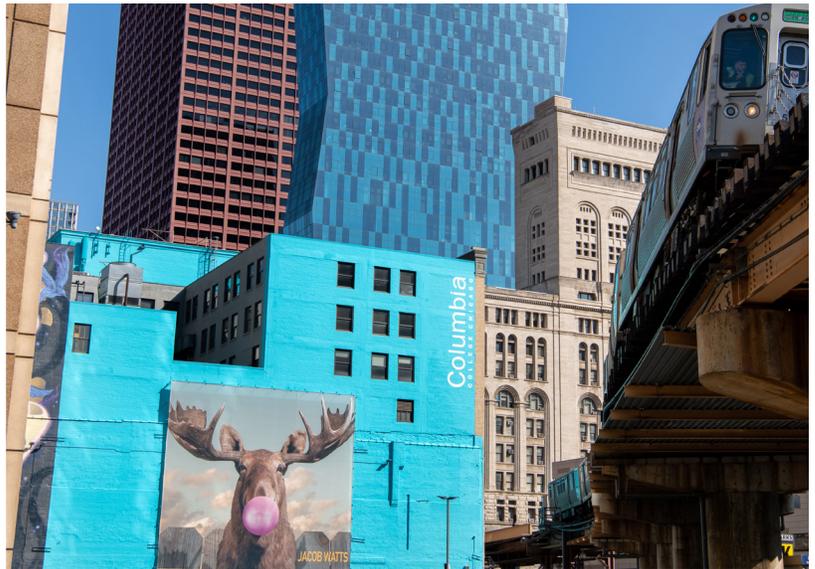


Join the Faculty at Columbia College Chicago



Our diverse faculty are academics and practitioners—industry leaders who live what they teach and inspire students to Shape What's Next.

Columbia's art-splashed urban campus is located in the heart of Chicago, a vibrant city that can be your classroom, your canvas, and your home. At Columbia, we value your expertise in theory and practice. Work alongside award-winning scholars, artists and entrepreneurs and empower students to turn their ideas into creative practice.

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Full-Time Tenure-track or Tenured Faculty
Music Department
Composition for Visual Media

Columbia College Chicago actively promotes diversity, equity, and inclusion as vitally important to its present and future success. These principles are essential to the educational experiences of our students, staff, and faculty.

The Music Department of Columbia College Chicago seeks applicants for a **full-time tenure-track or tenured faculty** position in Music Composition with Emphasis on Composition for Visual Media, beginning August 2023.

We are seeking an experienced composer with a national/international profile in the area of music composition for visual media (film, TV, video games and similar). The successful candidate will teach at the graduate and undergraduate level in the music department; substantially contribute to the leadership and administration of graduate and undergraduate composition programs; collaborate on the development of progressive curriculum in the areas of music composition for media and other forms of composition conducive to future gainful employment of our graduates in their field of study; and provide other departmental and college service as assigned. In addition to expertise in their field, successful candidates must exhibit excellent teaching credentials, and/or demonstrate comparable engagement in successfully guiding the next generation of practitioners into professional success, and be passionate about undergraduate and graduate education.

Columbia College Chicago's Music Department focuses on contemporary, urban, jazz and popular music, and places afro-centric music at its core. Its progressive curriculum is designed to prepare students for a diverse and inclusive collaborative career in the creation and performance of original songs, compositions and productions. At the undergraduate level the Music Department offers a BA degree in Music; a BMus degree in Contemporary, Urban and Popular Music; and a BMus in Composition and Production. At the graduate level the Music Department offers an MFA degree in Composition for the Screen.

The **School of Fine and Performing Arts (SFPA)** houses academic programs in visual arts, performing arts, business, and marketing. Home to more than 110 full-time faculty and over 3,300 students, the SFPA community is deeply committed to rigorous exploration of a wide range of artistic practices and economies, with strong focus on a diversity of contemporary styles and current industry trends. Across SFPA, we challenge the next generation of artists, scholars, managers, performers, designers, makers, and entrepreneurs to master the skills and interrogate the foundations of their creative disciplines; imagine new futures; and contribute to the vibrant arts communities of Chicago and beyond.

Duties & Responsibilities

- Teach at the graduate and undergraduate level as assigned by the Department Chair.
- Engage with the broader professional and scholarly communities.
- Advise and mentor students.
- Contribute to the development, planning and implementation of a high-quality, inclusive curriculum consistent with the Columbia College Chicago commitment to equity and social justice.

- Commit to continuing professional activity and development.
- Provide service to the college, profession and community.
- Actively follow and promote Columbia College Chicago policies.

We seek individuals with a demonstrated ability to work with students from a wide range of social and cultural backgrounds, and whose creative, scholarly and/or professional work aligns with our commitment to dismantling systems of privilege and oppression. All faculty members are expected to advance the College's DEI mission. For more information on the office of Academic Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion please visit: colum.edu/diversity.

Required Qualifications

- A terminal degree by the date of appointment: MFA in music composition or related field; DMA or PhD in Composition or related field; or a post-secondary degree (i.e. Bachelor's degree) and extraordinary professional experience and national/international profile as a working media composer.
- A strong, sustained record of creative practice including lead composer credits on commercially released visual media projects with national/international reach and reputation.
- Expert working experience with current software and hardware used for media music composition and production.

Desired Qualifications

- Experience with and evidence of commitment to the development of inclusive curriculum consistent with the Columbia College Chicago commitment to equity and social justice.
- Broad based expertise in contemporary issues and practices in media composition, and awareness of the current global marketplace in media music.
- Demonstrated engagement in the professional communities and organizations in media music composition.
- Substantial experience in successfully mentoring assistants and/or additional music composers.
- Some college/university teaching experience working with graduate or undergraduate students.

Application

To apply for this position, submit the following materials [online](#):

- A letter outlining the applicant's background, qualifications, and vision for the position.
- A statement of teaching philosophy.
- A curriculum vitae.
- An [Evidence of Inclusive Excellence Statement](#) describing actions you have taken to support and advance diversity, equity, access and inclusion in service, teaching, or research/creative activity.
- Contact information for three references. References will not be contacted without prior consultation with the applicant.

Review of applications will begin immediately and continue until the position is filled. For best consideration, please apply by November 28, 2022.

This job description is not designed to cover or contain a comprehensive listing of activities, duties, or responsibilities required of the employee and is subject to change based on the needs of the department and/or college.

About the College

Columbia College Chicago is a private not-for-profit college for creatives serving nearly 6,000 undergraduate and graduate students. Columbia College is accredited by The Higher Learning Commission. Located in downtown Chicago's South Loop, the College is centered in one of the world's most lively urban cultural areas. Its many competitive advantages include its strong reputation in the creative industries, outstanding faculty and passionate students, impressive technological and physical resources, and a sincere commitment to bringing diverse voices and experiences into proximity with each other to shape new forms of creative practice.

At Columbia, we offer a rewarding work environment for our faculty and staff. We take pride in offering competitive benefits with affordable health, dental and vision coverage; flexible spending accounts; commuter benefit program, life and accidental, death & dismemberment coverage; paid and unpaid leave options; work/life benefits; educational assistance programs; and retirement and financial planning benefits.

We invite you to join our talented faculty and staff and become part of our collective aspiration to ensure Columbia prepares students for success in their creative fields through innovation, engagement and real-world experiences.

Additional Information

- Position subject to a background screening.
- This is a non-union position.
- This position is overtime exempt.

Columbia College Chicago is an equal opportunity employer and complies with all local, state, and federal laws and regulations concerning civil rights. The college does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, national or ethnic origin, age, disability, protected veteran status, genetic information, or other protected classes under the law.

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