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## Visiting Faculty in Music (Composition)

The Macalester College Department of Music invites applications for a non-tenure-track visiting position to begin Fall 2024 with a 5-course load (or equivalent). This position is renewable for a second year, pending review of teaching. We seek a specialist in Composition who will be able to teach specific courses within the Department, including Musicianship (Music 113) – including aural skills – and higher-level theory classes, as well as Introduction to Western Classical Music (Music 110).

### **Qualifications:**

Preference may be given to candidates who are also able to teach in any of the following areas: Jazz/History of Jazz; Black Music of America; Latin American Music; Music of Indigenous Peoples; and/or a candidate who can lead the Wind Ensemble or teach private instruction on a needed instrument. ABD candidates will be considered; however, they must have their degree in hand prior to August 2024.

Diversity, equity, and inclusion are central to Macalester's educational mission and values. We are committed to the institutional change required for visioning and realizing a more equitable and socially just college and society. Strong candidates will have a record of experience or demonstrated commitment to teaching students of multiple and diverse backgrounds with attention to structural barriers that limit access to educational opportunities.

### **About the Department:**

At Macalester, the music curriculum is designed with accessibility in mind. In our course offerings we place music within the broad contexts of the liberal arts, leading students to a deeper understanding of music's social and political status across time and space, together with teaching the crafts of theory, analysis, and composition. Students are encouraged not just to consider music within the framework of aesthetics and beauty, but to explore music's legacy as a disruptive force in the many ways it has been used to call attention to problematic issues within society. In lessons and ensembles covering a range of musical traditions, students are trained in applied music-making, with regular opportunities for recital participation, master classes, and interaction with guest artists. We place particular emphasis on the ways that ensembles build community, bringing together participants and audiences from the department, college, and the wider Twin Cities metro, to engage with the arts.

## **About the College:**

Macalester College is a highly selective, private liberal arts college in the vibrant Minneapolis-Saint Paul metropolitan area, with a population of approximately three million people and home to numerous colleges and universities, including the University of Minnesota. Macalester College is located in Saint Paul on the ancestral homeland of the Dakota people who were forcibly exiled because of aggressive and persistent settler colonialism. Macalester's diverse student body comprises over 2000 undergraduates from all 50 states and the District of Columbia and 95 nations. The College maintains a longstanding commitment to academic excellence with a special emphasis on internationalism, multiculturalism, and service to society. As an Equal Opportunity employer supportive of affirmative efforts to achieve diversity among its faculty, Macalester College strongly encourages applications from women and members of underrepresented minority groups.

## **Compensation and Benefits:**

This is a full-time 1.0FTE teaching position with a five-course (or equivalent) teaching load. Salary will be based on teaching experience and highest educational degree attained.

At Macalester, we are proud to offer excellent comprehensive employee benefits. To see our full benefits packages and options, please visit our [Benefits Page](#).

## **To apply:**

By the priority date of July 8, 2024 applicants should electronically submit a curriculum vitae, cover letter, three letters of recommendation, and a diversity statement through the [Macalester Employment Opportunities webpage](#). The diversity statement should be no more than 2 pages and discuss past experiences and demonstrated activities contributing to diversity, equity and inclusion initiatives in their teaching, advising, and mentorship.

All letters of recommendation can be sent to [hr@macalester.edu](mailto:hr@macalester.edu) with the name of the candidate they are supporting in the subject line.

Visa sponsorship is not available for this position. In addition, candidates relying on an OPT Visa with a STEM extension are not eligible for hire.

## **Satisfactory completion of a criminal background check is a condition of employment.**

Questions about this teaching position should be directed to Dr. Mark Mandarano, Chair and Professor of Music, [mmandara@macalester.edu](mailto:mmandara@macalester.edu).

Questions about the process of application should be directed to Jaclyn Howard, Talent, Acquisition Manager, [jhoward3@macalester.edu](mailto:jhoward3@macalester.edu).