

**POSITION:**

Full-Time Visual Arts Instructor – 2D

EXEMPTION STATUS: Salary, 10.5 month position, SY 21-22

LOCATION: Santa Fe, NM

JOB ID: TBD

Deadline: May 16, 2021

**SUMMARY**

New Mexico School for the Arts' (NMSA) Visual Arts Department (VAD) is seeking a 1-year, full-time Visual Arts Instructor in Painting/Drawing with the ability to teach Drawing I, Drawing II, Visual Fundamentals 2D, Painting, and Art Theory Studio Projects courses for the 2021-22 school year at the high school level (budget pending). The course load is 3 courses per semester Monday – Friday and will include in person teaching and potentially online/virtual teaching as directed by the school district with respect to the COVID-19 and CDC Guidelines. The teaching commitment extends beyond the classroom to being present on the NMSA campus M-F, with weekend and evening events additionally required with notice.

This Instructor works closely with the Visual Arts Chair and other Visual Arts Faculty in delivering a broad and comprehensive, 4-year college foundation in the Visual Arts that prepares 9-12th grade students for successful application to competitive higher education arts programs, as well as creative and critical aptitude development applicable to any field of study and civic engagement. Students are admitted to the Visual Arts Department on promise, passion, and aptitude for the visual arts through a portfolio audition process. Learn more about NMSA: <https://www.nmschoolforthearts.org>

Additional VAD administrative and curricular duties include: create and develop communications/PR elements as needed, admissions, auditions, outreach, assessment, field trips, securing new and maintaining current resources (supplies/equipment), studio maintenance and cleanliness, organizing safe and accountable methods for student use of equipment, exhibitions, donations, student portfolio reviews, reflective teaching, developing student internships, assisting in NMSA VA Gallery maintenance and duties, curriculum development and reflection, materials/budget oversight and purchasing, end of year production and annual fundraising, guest artist recruitment and planning, attendance at all faculty and staff meetings and in-service dates, supporting student's college application process, and developing and promoting student opportunities in the arts. Ability to professionally, clearly, and compassionately communicate via phone, email, and in person in a timely manner with students, parents, and all NMSA staff/faculty, to collaborate, maintain strict standards of confidentiality, submit grades in a timely required manner, support minors in academic, artistic, and emotional growth, attend to learning differences (attention to 504/IEP), and overall flexibility and reflective practices in teaching methodology are required and supported by close mentorship from the VA Chair.

This position is for one year with potential for renewal pending budget and evaluation processes and approvals. Contract time period is early Aug-early June.

## REQUIREMENTS

- Maintain professional and supportive relationships with students, faculty, staff, parents, and community
- 1-3 years teaching experience at the high school and/or college level in the arts
- Ability to teach the course content listed above with attention to both technical skills and critical, creative thinking and growth
- Professional record of engagement in the studio arts/studio practice
- A satisfactory fingerprint-based background check is required prior to employment

## EDUCATION/LICENSURE

- MFA in Studio Art highly preferred
- Candidates DO NOT need to acquire or hold New Mexico Public Education licensure with a visual arts endorsement, but that is helpful to have or pursue.

**NMSA seeks passionate educators who are eager to: teach within and instill in students the growth mindset; provide far-reaching advocacy for students; participate in data-driven instructional practices; and collaborate with faculty, administration, and staff to support a path to success for all students, regardless of educational background.**

**To apply: DUE May 16, 2021**

Please send a completed NMSA Employment Application Form found here:

<https://www.nmschoolforthearts.org/careers/>, Cover Letter, Resume/CV, Artist Philosophy, Artist Statement, List of 3 References with contact information, Personal and Student Artwork Examples: Evidence of personal professional engagement in the arts and your student's examples (PDF, Power Point or URL web link to documented artwork) to our Human Resources Department, one course syllabus example, and one project handout example to [hr@nmsa-ai.org](mailto:hr@nmsa-ai.org). Only complete applications will be reviewed.

*New Mexico School for the Arts (NMSA) is New Mexico's only public, statewide charter high school that serves young artists with a rigorous, award-winning pre-professional arts and academics program.*

*To learn more about NMSA please visit:*

<https://www.nmschoolforthearts.org/about/mission-governance/>

*To learn more about the Visual Arts Department at NMSA please visit:*

<https://www.nmschoolforthearts.org/arts/visualarts/>