



Position Announcement

**Western Connecticut State University
School of Visual, Performing, and Communication Arts
Communication & Media Arts
Adjunct Teaching Position
Academic Year 2024-2025**

Western Connecticut State University is pleased to announce applications are being accepted for part-time adjunct teaching positions in the Communication & Media Arts department for in-person courses for the 2024-2025 academic year.

WCSU is committed to enhancing our diverse university community by actively encouraging people with disabilities, members of LGBTQIA and BIPOC communities, veterans, and women to apply. We take pride in our pluralistic community and continue to seek excellence through diversity and inclusion. WCSU is honored to be awarded the federal designation as a Hispanic Serving Institution (HSI). This accomplishment marks a pivotal moment in our progress toward fostering diversity, equity, and inclusion within our campus community.

The School of Visual, Performing, and Communication Arts www.wcsu.edu/svpca/ offers a professional training program in a liberal arts context at the relatively affordable cost of a public university. New York City's proximity means our students receive the benefit of a faculty of nationally recognized artists, directors, designers, performers, and scholars dedicated to teaching a highly diverse student population. The Department of Communication & Media Arts offers a Bachelor of Arts degrees in Communication – Communication Studies; Media Arts – Media Production; and Digital Interactive Media Arts (DIMA). Detailed information on the department may be found on www.wcsu.edu/com/.

Course Information: COM 371 Film and Video Art (3 SH) is a creative and critical examination of works produced by film, video, sound, and performance artists. This production-based class encourages students to develop multiple works of experimental film and video art. The course explores theories, methods, and techniques that depart from traditional media production formulas, challenging participants to step outside the accepted conventions of daily media experiences. A beginning to intermediate knowledge of non-linear video editing is necessary.

This class will be taught in a computer lab on Mondays and Thursdays on ground from 12:30pm - 1:45pm during the Spring 2025 semester.

Course Responsibilities: Teach COM 371 - Film and Video Art; Develop and deliver course materials that align with the course description; Evaluate student performance and provide constructive feedback; Maintain office hours for student consultation.

Qualifications: An MFA in Film and Video Production, Experimental Filmmaking, or Animation; Demonstrated experience in experimental film, video art, and animation production; Hands on knowledge working in Premiere



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Pro, Photoshop, After Effects, Audition, FilmFreeway submission process; Previous teaching experience at the college level.

Salary & Benefits: The current minimum starting salary is \$2,026 per load credit (or a minimum of \$6,078 for a single 3 credit course). Additional information on benefits can be found at www.wcsu.edu/hr/benefits/. Part-time faculty at WCSU are represented by the American Association of University Professors. WCSU is within walking distance of the Danbury station on the Metro North train. All employment, if offered, is contingent upon proof of citizenship or employability under the requirement of the Immigration and Control Act (IRCA) and the successful passing of a background check. WCSU is committed to providing a safe campus community. Background investigations include reference checks, and a criminal history record check.

Application Process: Interested candidates should submit the following: a cover letter no more than 2 pages detailing relevant experience and teaching philosophy; a current curriculum vitae; Contact information for three professional references; a creative works link - do not attach files containing 3 - 5 samples of work in experimental film, video art, or animation to Dr. Vertna West - westv@wcsu.edu. In the subject line of your email, please reference "Adjunct Communication." Review will begin on December 2, 2024 and continue until the position has been filled. Application materials will be kept on file for future use.

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