



JOB DESCRIPTION

Level: Higher Education

CLASSICAL BALLET TUTOR

Preference: with ISTD Licentiate or Fellowship in order to create a DDE Teacher Training Programme
(Other boards and Higher Level Qualifications considered)

CONTRACT: Part-time, Hourly-Paid Tutor, Permanent

SALARY: £27.00 - £50.00 per hour depending on experience

DAYS: ONE DAY per week (5-8 Hours) - Preference of either Monday, Wednesday or Thursday.

ADDITIONAL HOURS: These will be available as our college builds should the candidate wish to increase their hours over time.

INTRODUCTION TO SHARPE ACADEMY

Sharpe Academy is a full-time vocational college based in Hatch End, North West London. Our main full-time course which started in September 2019 is a 3 Year Diploma in Professional Musical Theatre & Acting. We also run a 1 Year Postgraduate Diploma. Our students are a mixture of Singer-Actors who need to build a foundation in Dance or Dancers who are building a foundation in Singing and Acting. The aim of all students is to perform professionally in the Musical Theatre and Dance industry upon graduation. The college has small class sizes and a vision to be recognised throughout the UK as a leading provider of Musical Theatre, Dance and Acting training. Technique is incredibly important to us; our students, aged between 16 and 23, train Monday to Friday for up to 40 hours a week in all styles of Dance, Acting, Singing and Acrobatics. Over the coming years we intend to extend our programme of courses to include HE Degrees and are currently in talks with several partner universities. We also wish to develop a Teacher Training programme.

LOCATION & FACILITIES

Sharpe Academy is based at Harrow Arts Centre, Hatch End, North West London. The campus is a large complex comprised of dance studios, multi-purpose rooms, a 500-seat professional theatre, café and car park. Sharpe uses the majority of rooms on site on a room hire basis, and will also be taking over the old studio theatre building in November as our full time home base on site, after renovations are complete. This will provide additional changing rooms, toilets, a new ballet studio complete with dance floor and mirrors, a new office, acrobatics store and music theory room. Next door to this building will be a new reception, a second smaller multi-purpose studio, physiotherapy room and kitchen. The Arts Centre has a grand redevelopment programme to introduce new spaces and performing arts buildings over the next 5 years. As the main daytime hirer, this gives us great scope to expand the college over this period. Harrow Arts is across the road from Hatch End train station which is on the London Overground line into Euston.

JOB DESCRIPTION – Classical Ballet Tutor & Teacher Training

We are seeking to appoint an experienced, knowledgeable and committed individual who is passionate about their subject and who would like to assist our college grow and expand. The successful candidate will be recognised and highly respected in the field of Ballet with significant experience teaching within the conservatoire or higher education sector. This position is for the practical Ballet & Pointe classes in college, but with additional responsibility for setting up a teacher training programme. Experience in teaching Dance Theory, History and Anatomy would be an advantage, but is not essential.

The position is to commence at the start of the Autumn term in September 2020, teaching Foundation to Advanced classes.

Reporting directly to the Principal.

Main Duties (This list should be seen as illustrative rather than prescriptive).

- To plan and deliver appropriate level classes to teach Ballet, Pointe and Demi-pointe;
- To liaise with other teachers, ensuring training across genres is co-ordinated and balanced;
- To assist the Principal in creating a new Teacher Training programme;
- Maintain appropriate staff/student relationships;
- Counsel students as required;
- Supervise rehearsals for any relevant performances;
- Participate in the audition selection process as required;
- Produce written assessments on student progress;
- Record and report on student attendance;
- Attend staff meetings and training, usually within normal working hours but also at other times that fall before the start, or at the end of each term;
- Liaise with the school's Physiotherapy or Medical team on student injury and rehabilitation;
- Attend Continuing Professional Development training / INSET;
- Any other duties as may reasonably be required and that fall within the scope and range of the job.

Essential Criteria

- Experience of teaching Ballet to students within the Conservatoire or Higher Education sector;
- A Dance Teaching qualification equal to or above Licentiate or Masters Level;
- Proactive and flexible approach to work, a real willingness to be involved;
- Excellent interpersonal and communication skills, able to build good supportive relationships with students, colleagues and the wider industry;
- DBS Enhanced Check. This will be carried out if the candidate is not on the update scheme;
- Basic knowledge of using computers to type up reports and receive/send email.

Desirable Criteria

- An understanding of the ISTD DDE Teacher Training or another similar recognised programme;
- First Aid training;
- Experience teaching the Contextual Studies, History of Dance, Dance Theory and Anatomy.

EQUAL OPPORTUNITIES

As an equal opportunities employer we positively encourage applications from suitably qualified and eligible candidates regardless of sex, race, disability, age, sexual orientation, gender identity and expression, religion or belief, marital status, or pregnancy and maternity.

HOW TO APPLY

Please send your covering along along with CV to:

Principal: Daniel Sharpe – **Daniel@SharpeAcademy.co.uk**

At the present time our campus is closed for lockdown and will not re-open until the start of September. We therefore kindly ask that no CV's are posted.

INTERVIEWS & REFERENCES

Should you be called to interview these will be taking place on the week of 24th August. Meetings can be arranged in person as we have a Summer Intensive week running at St Helen's School in Northwood. An online Zoom meeting can also be arranged.

Anyone invited to interview will be required to provide the details of two references. One of these must be from a current employer. These referees will only be contacted should we wish to proceed to the final stage after interview.