



## **FULL & PART-TIME FACULTY – BACHELOR OF DESIGN**

### OVERVIEW

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Successful candidates will be responsible for the development and delivery of engaging and innovative course content. Experience and interest should focus on delivery of design thinking, creative problem solving, and cross disciplinary work. Applicants should have excellent fabrication skills as well as a theoretical, conceptual design perspective, and an advanced understanding of visualization and fabrication processes. DIDI is interested in recruiting subject specialists, as well as individuals whose work makes them difficult to categorize because of their unique span across disciplines.

Applicants should be creatives, engaged in their industry, with a minimum of three-years experience as evidenced through a body of creative work, as well as researcher's familiar with advanced research methodologies that pertain to visual, creative and critical thinking. Faculty must hold a Master's degree or higher in a design-related field, as well as a strong portfolio of design work, or the equivalent peer-reviewed and published papers.

We are looking for experience in teaching courses in a higher education context, with considered and creative pedagogical thinking and delivery within the creative fields. A history of curriculum writing and the development of individualized and innovative course curricula would be an advantage.

Further responsibilities will include student support and motivation, supervision and evaluation of student work, assigning grades, and advising on academic achievement.

This is an ideal opportunity for an out of the box thinker looking for an opportunity to work and collaborate across fields. A cross disciplinary thinker and worker with the desire to develop cutting edge collaborations. As a new and ambitious institution, a unique opportunity exists for Faculty to impact the UAE and regional design education landscape.

#### PERSON SPECIFICATION

- Minimum Master's degree in a field of Art and Design from a top tier academic institution.
- A minimum of three years professional experience in a design field which demonstrates the ability to take concept through development and implementation to market.
- Teaching experience in higher education.
- A visionary with an entrepreneurial mindset.
- Ability to stimulate and inspire students with engaging pedagogic approaches.
- A body of design research, physical or theoretical, which demonstrates an ability to conceptualize novel approaches towards design.
- Distinguished track record of industry experience with cutting edge design.
- A cross-disciplinary practitioner that works well in a collaborative environment in practice and research.
- Broad based knowledge of material, space and the materials systems relative to the manufacturing process.
- Technical prowess utilizing advanced digital design, visualization and fabrication processes.
- Ability to establish relationships with industry to integrate research with international practices.
- Ability to navigate between and interface with 2D, 3D and 4D processes and thinking as evidenced through a body of creative or scholarly work.
- An interdisciplinary approach to design through the engagement of scholarship, which includes social practice, service design, and collaboration.
- A working knowledge of Adobe Creative Suite including Photoshop, Illustrator, and InDesign, as demonstrated through a body of creative work or courses taught.
- Understanding of, and sensitivity to, the UAE/GCC culture.
- Keen interest to work in a start-up environment, and ability to see opportunity in challenge.

## REMUNERATION

Remuneration is commensurate with experience, and includes an attractive benefits and relocation package.

## START DATE

July 2018.

## TO APPLY

Please submit a CV and cover letter outlining your experience and suitability for the role to **employment@didi.ae**. Applications will be reviewed on a rolling basis until vacancies are filled.