ASSISTANT PROFESSOR: Community Arts Specialist

Position Details

Special Instructions

Special Instructions Summary

Posting Details

Posting Number 500015

Working Title ASSISTANT PROFESSOR: Community Arts Specialist

Advertised Employing Department Art and Visual Culture

Appointment Type Faculty - Tenure-Eligible

Base of Employment A - Faculty (12 Months)

Full or Part Time Full-Time

Pay Frequency Monthly

Proposed Start Date 07/01/2015

Proposed End Date or Length of Term

Number of Months Employed Per Year 12

Summary of Duties and Responsibilities

Iowa State University has launched the Presidential High Impact Hires Initiative to support targeted faculty hiring in areas of strategic importance. This position is included among the 29 high-impact hires in the second year of this multi-year initiative.

The Department of Art and Visual Culture (AVC) in the College of Design at Iowa State University is offering a tenure-track position in arts outreach (50% AVC and 50% Extension) starting July 1, 2015. This is a 12-month, A-base position.

The successful candidate is expected to teach 2 – 3 courses per year in AVC in an area consistent with the candidate’s expertise with courses offered at the undergraduate and/or graduate level.

Qualified candidates will work toward developing a relationship between the department of AVC and varied communities and stakeholders in Iowa, regionally and nationally. The candidate will bring an innovative/creative perspective to how the arts can benefit communities when addressing topics such as social engagement, economic development, and community revitalization.

As part of their AVC/Extension responsibilities:

• The candidate will develop and implement a program in Community Art Extension that will advance the department and Extension’s commitment to the relevance of art in social environments through collaborations with communities and stakeholders statewide.
• Specific Extension duties will include interacting with the ISUEO Community Economic Development unit staff to coordinate and promote community arts research projects, develop community workshops and materials, organize student projects in communities, deliver arts-based programming and community-based events that demonstrate the value of art as both a public investment and a social capital building activity.

• The candidate will be expected to develop internships and other curricular structures that will expand students’ awareness and understanding of the ways their art training serves them and the community as they settle or resettle into various communities.

• The candidate will also be expected to do personal creative research, grant writing, student advisement, and departmental, Extension and university committee service and incervices

Required Education and Experience

• Master of Fine Arts (MFA) degree and teaching experience in higher education.
• Candidate must have documented record of outreach and engagement with communities external to their college or university.
• Experience in administering program budgets.

Preferred Education and Experience

• Evidence of successful college level teaching experience beyond graduate assistantship
• Demonstrated evidence of professional accomplishment.
• Knowledge and experience of teaching in community-based settings
• Thorough knowledge of contemporary issues related to new artistic genres and their relationship to art in social environments

Required Licensure(s)/Certification(s)

Preferred Licensure(s)/Certification(s)

Department/Program & College Description

The Department of Art and Visual Culture (AVC) is one of seven distinguished departments within the College, along with Architecture, Community and Regional Planning, Graphic Design, Industrial Design, Interior Design, and Landscape Architecture. The College of Design is dedicated to all forms of diversity and inclusion, and committed to the expanded role of art and design as an agent of change in society.

About Iowa State University and the Ames Community

Iowa State University is classified as a Carnegie Foundation Doctoral/Research University-Extensive, a member of the Association of American Universities (AAU), and ranked by U.S. News and World Report as one of the top public universities in the nation. Over 34,000 students are enrolled, and served by over 6,100 faculty and staff (see www.iastate.edu). Ames, Iowa is a progressive community of 60,000, located approximately 30 minutes north of Des Moines, and recently voted second best most livable small city in the nation (see www.amescvb.com).

Iowa State University is an equal opportunity employer committed to excellence through diversity and strongly encourages applications from all qualified applicants, including women, underrepresented minorities, and veterans. ISU is responsive to the needs of dual career couples, is dedicated to work-life balance through an array of policies, and is an NSF ADVANCE institution.

All faculty members are expected to exhibit and convey good citizenship within
the program, the department, college, and university activities and collegial
interactions, and maintain the highest standards of integrity and ethical behavior.

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Department/Unit Website: http://www.design.iastate.edu/artvisualculture/index.php
Location (if other than Ames): Ames, surrounding areas, and state of Iowa

Additional Information

Application Instructions
To apply for this position, please click on “Apply to this job” and complete the Employment Application. Please be prepared to enter or attach the following:

1) Resume/Curriculum Vitae
2) Letter of Application/Cover Letter
3) Contact information for three references

Please also send one CD or flash drive, in PowerPoint or Keynote format, which includes: 20 images (with descriptions) of your own work, and 10-20 images of student work. Send these materials to: Chris Martin, Associate Professor and Search Committee Co-chair, Room 158, College of Design, Iowa State University, Ames, IA 50011-3093.

If you have questions regarding this vacancy, please email either search committee co-chair, Chris Martin, chmartin@iastate.edu, or call 515-294-1639 or Chris Seeger, cjseeger@iastate.edu or phone 515-509-0561. If you have questions regarding this application process, please email employment@iastate.edu or call 515-294-4800 or Toll Free: 1-877-477-7485.

Guaranteed Consideration Date: 03/01/2015

Pre-Employment Screening
All offers of employment, oral and written, are contingent upon the university’s verification of credentials and other information required by federal and state law, ISU policies/procedures, and may include the completion of a background check.

Quick Link: http://www.iastatejobs.com/postings/9814

EO Statement
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Classification Information

University Title: Assistant Professor - 1700
Salary: Commensurate with qualifications
Job Category: Faculty
Supplemental Questions

Required fields are indicated with an asterisk (*).

1. * Where did you first learn about this vacancy?
   - ISU Employment Opportunities Website
   - ISU Employee Website
   - Placement Office
   - Trade Journal
   - Newspaper
   - Other

2. Please indicate which specific website, placement office, trade journal, newspaper, or other resource influenced you to apply for this position.

(Open Ended Question)

Applicant Documents

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3. Reference Contact Information

Optional Documents

None