



West Virginia University

Assistant Professor Position

Fashion Design & Merchandising

The Fashion Design & Merchandising program in the Davis College of Agriculture, Forestry and Consumer Sciences at West Virginia University is pleased to invite applications for a 9-month tenure-track position at the rank of Assistant Professor to commence on August 16, 2008. Summer support for the first three years may be available.

Duties and Responsibilities

Position responsibilities consist of teaching courses in two or more of the following areas: (1) merchandise planning and control, including computer applications, (2) global issues and fashion, (3) introductory textiles, (4) fashion merchandising, (5) fashion, the body and culture, (6) introduction to the fashion business, and (7) supervise internship students. In addition to teaching, the faculty member will conduct research and/or engage in creative practice, mentor students, and provide service to the university, state, and profession. Opportunities exist for participation in the international teaching program, Disegno Italia.

Qualifications

Candidates must hold a doctorate, with at least one degree in the textile, apparel, and merchandising disciplines. Computer literacy is expected. Candidates who are ABD with expected completion by August 2009 will be considered. Candidates must meet standard eligibility requirements to work in the United States and must have demonstrated effective verbal and written communication skills in English. Teaching and professional experiences, strong computer skills relevant to the profession, and evidence of research and successful grant writing are desirable.

Program

The Fashion Design & Merchandising program currently consists of four tenure-track faculty and two part-time positions. The Program offers a B.S. degree and enrolls approximately 280 undergraduate students and has a growing international program component in Milan, Italy. West Virginia University has some 27,500 students and is located in north central West Virginia in Morgantown, a city that recently was ranked among the most livable small cities in the Northeast. The closest international airport is Pittsburgh, about 1.5 hours away by car. Additional information is available at <http://www.design.wvu.edu>.

Application

Applicants should submit the following materials:

- Letter of application that addresses interest in teaching and research or creative activities.
- Curriculum vitae, including list of courses taught with dates.
- Copy of transcripts.
- Three reference letters plus names, addresses, telephone numbers, and e-mail addresses.

Review of applications will begin immediately and remain open until the position is filled. The application letter and materials should be addressed to:

Professor Nora MacDonald
Chair, FDM Faculty Recruitment Committee
Division of Design & Merchandising
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Morgantown, WV 26506-6124

Inquiries may be directed to: Nora.MacDonald@mail.wvu.edu or (304) 293-3495

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