



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 nine-month tenure-track position at the rank of Assistant Professor to commence on August 2010. 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) introduction to textiles, (2) global issues and fashion, (3) introduction to design concepts, (4) introduction to the fashion business, and (5) 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 cross-cultural, inter-disciplinary program, Disegno Italia.

Qualifications

Candidates must hold a doctorate, with at least one degree in the textile, apparel, and merchandising disciplines. Computer skills relevant to the position are required. Candidates who are ABD with expected completion by August 2010 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 five tenure-track faculty and one part-time faculty member. The Program offers a B.S. degree and enrolls approximately 280 undergraduate students and has a growing international program component in Milan, Italy. Additional information is available at <http://www.design.wvu.edu>.

University: West Virginia University is a comprehensive, land-grant institution with an enrollment of over 28,000 students. The 15 schools and colleges offer a diversity of programs. WVU is a Doctoral/Research University-Extensive, based on the complexity and breadth of its mission.

Location: The University is situated in the foothills of the Appalachian Mountains, 75 miles south of Pittsburgh, PA. The surrounding fields and forests offer many recreation opportunities. The intellectual, cultural and social climate of the University, coupled with the attractive mountain environment, creates a setting for enjoyable living. Morgantown, West Virginia's fifth largest city, was recently rated No. 1 Small City in the East by a popular rating guide, and regularly wins the state's top Main Street Award for the best downtown.

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:

Dr. Holly Lentz
Chair, FDM Faculty Recruitment Committee
Division of Design & Merchandising
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Morgantown, WV 26506-6124

Inquiries may be directed to: Holly.Lentz@mail.wvu.edu or (304) 293-3534

West Virginia University is an Equal Opportunity/Affirmative Action Employer. Women, minorities, veterans, and individuals with disabilities are encouraged to apply.