#### POSITION DESCRIPTION: ASSISTANT PROFESSOR OF ENGLISH EDUCATION

## **COLORADO STATE UNIVERSITY**

The mission of the Department of English is to advance the study and teaching of literature, language, and writing. In accomplishing this mission, the Department will provide the basis for a strong liberal arts education focused on critical literacy, critical thinking, and culturally informed interpretive skills. The Department is committed to maintaining comprehensive and interdisciplinary English studies curricula for undergraduate majors and graduate students.

The Department of English at Colorado State University invites applications for an entry-level position of Assistant Professor of English Education. We seek candidates with a commitment to equity-driven teaching and research, experience teaching English in secondary schools, commitment to continued professional development, and a background in interdisciplinary teaching and learning. The successful candidate will be appointed untenured and at the rank of Assistant Professor. This is a tenure-track, nine-month appointment, beginning August 16, 2017.

## **Required Qualifications**

- Ph.D. or Ed.D. in English Education or a closely related field of study at time of appointment
- Evidence of a scholarly agenda
- A minimum of three years of experience teaching English in secondary schools
- Record of teaching excellence
- Demonstrated ability to work collaboratively

### **Preferred Qualifications**

- More than three years of experience teaching English in secondary schools
- Experience teaching at the university level
- Demonstrated expertise in pedagogies informed by ELA content standards and aimed at supporting diverse student populations
- Experience teaching in interdisciplinary programs, especially in STEM/STEAM schools or subject areas
- Commitment to an equity-driven teaching and research agenda, with expertise in areas such as science or environmental literacies, multiple literacies (critical, digital, multimodal, etc.), social justice, teaching culturally and linguistically diverse students, and/or problem-based learning
- Desire to develop K-12 and community partnerships, and seek external funding to support research and/or outreach

## Responsibilities

Candidates who can enhance the Department's commitment to diversity through teaching, research, and service are encouraged to apply.

Responsibilities: teach four courses a year until tenure, primarily in the graduate and undergraduate teacher licensure programs; advise and mentor undergraduate and graduate students; establish an equity-driven research agenda in English education; collaborate with faculty, students, K-12 partners, and the community; provide service to the department, university, and community.

**Salary** will be commensurate with assistant professor rank and experience.

# **Application Procedures and Deadlines**

Please submit a letter of interest, current curriculum vitae, a statement of teaching philosophy, graduate transcripts, a teaching portfolio of no more than ten pages providing evidence of teaching effectiveness, a writing sample of no more than twenty pages, and enter the name and contact information for three references who will be emailed a request for a letter of recommendation upon submission of your application. Address cover letter to Search Chair, English Education.

To view a full position announcement and submit an application electronically please visit: <a href="http://jobs.colostate.edu/postings/37212">http://jobs.colostate.edu/postings/37212</a>. Hard copy applications cannot be accepted.

The Department will interview semifinalists at the November meeting of the National Council of Teachers of English. Application materials of semifinalist candidates, including letters of reference, will be made available for review by the entire faculty of the Department of English. Routine inquiries should be directed to Sue Russell at (970) 491-1898 or <a href="mailto:Sue.Russell@colostate.edu">Sue.Russell@colostate.edu</a>.

Applications will be accepted until the position is filled; however, for full consideration, applications must be postmarked by **October 3, 2016**.

## **General Information**

**Colorado State University**, with an enrollment of about 30,000, is located in Fort Collins, a growing community of close to 150,000 at the base of the Rocky Mountain Front Range, 65 miles north of Denver. The area is noted for its natural beauty, economic vitality, and abundant cultural and recreational activities.

Colorado State University is a land-grant institution and a Carnegie Research University (Very High Research Activity). The English Department has a tenure-track faculty of 32, approximately 379 undergraduate majors, and approximately 110 graduate students. We appoint approximately 35 graduate teaching assistants who teach creative and expository writing and English as a second language. Undergraduate concentrations in creative writing, English Education, language, literature, and writing lead to a B.A. in English. Master of Arts degrees are offered in Creative Nonfiction; English Education; Literature; Writing, Rhetoric, and Literacy; and TEFL/TESL. The Master of Fine Arts program offers degrees in fiction and poetry. The CSU English department is also home to the Center for Literary Publishing and the *Colorado* Review. More information on the English department is available at: <a href="http://english.colostate.edu/">http://english.colostate.edu/</a>.

**Colorado State University** is committed to providing an environment that is free from discrimination and harassment based on race, age, creed, color, religion, national origin or ancestry, sex, gender, disability, veteran status, genetic information, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, or pregnancy, and will not discharge or in any other manner discriminate against employees or applicants because they have inquired about, discussed, or disclosed their own pay or the pay of another employee or applicant. Colorado State University is an equal opportunity/equal access/affirmative action employer fully committed to achieving a diverse workforce and complies with all Federal and Colorado State laws, regulations, and executive orders regarding nondiscrimination and affirmative action. The Office of Equal Opportunity is located in 101 Student Services.

**Colorado State University** (CSU) strives to provide a safe study, work, and living environment for its faculty, staff, volunteers, and students. To support this environment and comply with applicable laws and regulations, CSU conducts background checks. The type of background check conducted varies by position and can include, but is not limited to, criminal (felony and misdemeanor) history, sex offender registry, motor vehicle history, financial history, and/or education verification. Background checks will be conducted when required by law or contract, and when, in the discretion of the university, it is reasonable and prudent to do so.