

POSITION ANNOUNCEMENT: ASSISTANT PROFESSOR OF ENGLISH SPECIALIZING IN 20th AND 21st CENTURY LITERATURE

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 specializing in 20th and 21st Century Literature. We are seeking a scholar and teacher working in any field of 20th and 21st century literature with a focus on one or more of the following areas: the environment, ecology, the anthropocene, environmental justice, bioregionalism, or animal studies. Candidates should be able to contribute both to the intellectual life of the department and to participate in and envision interdisciplinary initiatives across campus. 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

- PhD in English or related field of study at time of appointment
- Evidence of sustained critical and pedagogical engagement with literature in relation to the environment, ecology, the anthropocene, environmental justice, bioregionalism, or animal studies
- Evidence of potential as a teacher and a scholar

Preferred Qualifications

- Experience teaching or conducting research in interdisciplinary programs, particularly involving the sciences

Responsibilities

Duties include teaching two courses each semester made up of a mixture of introductory lower division courses, specialized upper division courses, and graduate courses for M.A. students; advising and mentoring undergraduate and graduate students; maintaining an active research agenda; and providing service to the department, university, and community. Candidates who can advance the Department's commitment to diversity and inclusion through scholarship, creative activity, teaching, and community outreach are encouraged to apply. We seek a colleague who will develop new courses, participate in University-wide interdisciplinary programs such as the School of Global Environmental Sustainability (SoGES) and Changing Climates at CSU, and eventually envision new opportunities for collaboration with students and faculty in the sciences.

Salary

Will be commensurate with assistant professor rank and experience.

Application Procedures and Deadlines

Please submit a letter of interest, curriculum vitae, graduate transcripts, teaching portfolio of no more than 10 pages showing evidence of teaching effectiveness, writing sample of no more than 30 pages of scholarly work (preferably published or forthcoming), 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, 20th and 21st Century Literature.

To view a full position announcement and submit an application electronically please visit:
<http://jobs.colostate.edu/postings/37242>. Hard copy applications cannot be accepted.

Application materials of semifinalist candidates, including letters of recommendation, will be made available for review by the entire faculty of the Department of English. Applications will be accepted until the position is filled; however, for full consideration, applications must be submitted by October 17, 2016. Semifinalists will be invited in December to schedule an interview by video conference. Routine inquiries should be directed to Sue Russell at (970) 491-1898 or Sue.Russell@colostate.edu.

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 Department of English 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 BA in English. Master of Arts degrees are offered in creative nonfiction, English education, literature, rhetoric and composition, 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: <http://english.colostate.edu/>.

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. 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 non-discrimination 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.