DEPARTMENT OF ART & ART HISTORY

Full-Time (Tenure-Track)
Assistant Professor of Photography and Digital Media
Starting Mid-August 2015

Refer to 103850 on all correspondence and inquiries regarding this position.

THE UNIVERSITY

Sonoma State University is one of the 23 campuses of the California State University. Located in the Sonoma County wine country, 48 miles north of San Francisco, the University has an enrollment of approximately 9,000 students. As of spring 2013, the University had 497 faculty with 47% tenure-track. The University is comprised of six schools: Arts and Humanities, Business and Economics, Education, Extended and International Education, Social Sciences, and Science and Technology. Degrees are offered in 45 majors at the bachelor's level and 16 at the master's level. Sonoma State University occupies 274 acres in the beautiful wine country of Sonoma County, in Northern California. Located at the foot of the Sonoma hills, the campus is just an hour’s drive north of San Francisco and 40 minutes away from the Pacific Ocean.

THE DEPARTMENT

For thirty years, Sonoma State University Department of Art and Art History has been the hub of visual art on campus and in Sonoma County. As a center of creativity and experimentation, the department provides rigorous undergraduate education in the study and practice of the visual arts. Our programs offer in-depth instruction in technique, concept and history of art.

Students pursue studies leading to BA and BFA degrees in art studio or a BA degree in art history. The art studio degree emphases are available in ceramics, painting, printmaking, photography, sculpture and works on paper. Committed to the recognition of individuality and unique accomplishment, the faculty work closely with students to encourage personal direction and ideas, as well as honing professional skills and preparation for further artistic movement beyond the undergraduate level.

Designed specifically for the pursuit of studio art practices and the study of art history and arts management, the department facilities are located in one of the best equipped physical plants within the California State University system. The Art Building has a total of 46,604 square feet of space with an instructional net of 30,485 square feet.

The University is a fully accredited member of the National Association of Schools of Art and Design.

For more information please visit http://www.sonoma.edu/art/

DUTIES OF THE POSITION

Seeking an artist/scholar in the area of Photography and Digital Media to teach 12 Weighted Teaching Units selected from the following: Basic black and white photography, darkroom processes, digital photography,
and all levels of digital imaging in addition to participation in faculty evaluation of advanced and BFA students. The ideal candidate will be expected to design and implement a strong Digital Media curriculum and to collaborate with faculty within the department and across campus, building a digital imaging footprint unique to our institution. Teaching responsibilities may also include general education courses, including first year learning community classes and Sophomore-year programs.

In addition to teaching and scholarship, faculty are expected to engage in academic advising, to assist the department with program assessment, administrative and/or committee work, and to serve on campus-wide committees. Sonoma State is committed to the Teacher/Scholar model and places an emphasis on faculty support of undergraduate research. Faculty are also encouraged to participate in Freshman and Sophomore year programs when available in their schools.

PROFESSIONAL QUALIFICATIONS

To be recommended for appointment, the candidate must have an M.F.A. (or terminal degree) in Photography (or related field); regional and/or national recognition by exhibition, publication or critical comment; and an indication that a career as a professional artist, with primary expression in photography and digital media, has been established. Teaching: Two years experience at the college level (beyond the graduate teaching assistantship) in courses similar to those described; complete familiarity with darkroom lab, chemical processes and safety procedures, digital photography, and large format printing; expertise in multiple digital platforms including Adobe Creative Suite, Final Cut Pro; experience with video preferred.

All candidates meeting minimum qualification are encouraged to apply. Preference will be given to candidates exhibiting interest in curricular development and cross-disciplinary pedagogy. The successful candidate will be an energetic and inspiring teacher and artist, with the ability to work as a collegial spirit in a small department where collaboration and cooperation are valued.

To be recommended for tenure, the candidate must demonstrate satisfactory performance in four areas: teaching effectiveness; scholarship, research, creative achievement and professional development; service to the University; and public service and service to the community. Although tenure may be granted at any time, contract provisions specify that "the normal period of probation shall be a total of six (6) years of full-time probationary service and credited service, if any. Any deviation from the normal six (6) year probationary period shall be the decision of the President following his/her consideration of recommendations from the department or equivalent unit and appropriate administrator(s).” Tenure is required for promotion above the level of Associate Professor.

RANK AND SALARY

The salary range is approximately $58,000 to $62,000.

HOW TO APPLY

Do not send materials to facultysearch@sonoma.edu. To apply for this position, go to www.sonoma.edu/jobs and select Job Opportunities. If you are not currently employed at Sonoma State University, select the External Applicants box. You will be redirected to a list of all available jobs at Sonoma State University. Find and select the faculty position you are applying for to view the description and select Apply Now. If you have not applied for a job at Sonoma State University previously you will be asked to Register Now in order to proceed. After submitting the application letter and curriculum vitae, please proceed to My Career Tools to attach the additional required
documents. Your statement of research interests may be a statement of scholarship and/or creative activity if appropriate to your discipline. Please submit your sample syllabi and student evaluations as one document. Once you have submitted your application, a confirmation email will be automatically sent to you. If you encounter difficulties during the application process, please email facultysearch@sonoma.edu.

Please submit:

**Required**
- Application letter
- Curriculum vitae

**Additional Required Documents**
- Statement of Research Interests
- Teaching Philosophy
- Student Evaluations and Sample Syllabi
- Contact Information for 3 References

Please send a MAC compatible USB flash drive containing:
- 20 images (jpeg) of own work. For time-based work please include no more than 3 QuickTime clips of 3 minutes each.
- 10 images of student’s work
- Image lists with title, date, media, size, optional 2-3 descriptive sentences (PDF or WORD plus hard copies)
- CV and Statement (PDF or WORD plus hard copies)
- SASE for return of materials

Please mail packet to:
Jann Nunn, Search Committee Chair
Department of Art and Art History
1801 E. Cotati Avenue
Rohnert Park, CA 94928

Letters of Recommendation will be requested from finalists only.

Official transcripts are required at the time of hire.

Sonoma State University hires only individuals lawfully authorized to work in the United States. All offers of employment are contingent upon presentation of documents demonstrating the appointee’s identity and eligibility to work, in accordance with the provisions of the Immigration Reform and Control Act.

**APPLICATION DEADLINE**

The deadline to apply to this position is by **Monday, January 12th, 2015.***

Questions concerning this position may be directed to:

*** Jann Nunn, Search Committee Chair
*** Email: jann.nunn@sonoma.edu
*** Phone: (707) 664-3043
Questions concerning the application process may be directed to: facultysearch@sonoma.edu.

103850 PLEASE REFER TO THIS NUMBER ON ALL CORRESPONDENCE AND INQUIRIES REGARDING THIS POSITION.

EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

The university is an Affirmative Action/Equal Opportunity Employer. We consider qualified applicants for employment without regard to race, religion, color, national origin, ancestry, age, sex, gender, gender identity, gender expression, sexual orientation, genetic information, medical condition, disability, marital status, or protected veteran status.

MANDATED REPORTING REQUIREMENT

This position is considered a “mandated reporter” under the California Child Abuse and Neglect Reporting Act and is required to comply with the requirements set forth in CSU Executive Order 1083 as a condition of employment.

CAMPUS SAFETY REPORTS

Jeanne Clery Act – Annual Security Report
Sonoma State University’s Annual Security Report includes statistics for the previous three years concerning reported crimes that occurred on campus, in certain off-campus buildings or property owned or controlled by Sonoma State University and on the public property within, or immediately adjacent to and accessible from the campus.

The report also includes institutional policies concerning campus security, alcohol/drug use, crime prevention, reporting of crimes, sexual assault and other matters. You can download a copy of this report by accessing the Police and Parking Services web site: Jeanne Clery Act - Annual Security Report, or receive a copy by contacting Police and Parking Services at (707) 664-2143.

Campus Housing Fire Safety Report
Sonoma State University’s Annual Campus Housing Fire Safety Report, in compliance with The Campus Fire Safety Right-to-Know Act, contains information about fire statistics, fire safety systems, and safety practices and standards for campus housing. The Campus Housing Fire Safety Report is available at the Housing Services website or you can contact Housing Services at (707) 664-2541 to receive printed information or additional information.

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