

## ACADEMIC VACANCY Department of English Language and Literature: Assistant Professor in Science, Culture, and Writing

The Department of English Language and Literature in the Faculty of Arts at the University of Waterloo invites applications for a probationary position in Science, Culture, and Writing at the rank of Assistant Professor, with a preferred start date of July 1, 2018. The successful candidate will have an established program of research in one of the following areas: ecocriticism; literature and the environment; science fiction studies; disability studies; literature of science; history of science; medical humanities; history of health and medicine; or an area of literary study relevant to the communication of science. A secondary area of research in writing, systems of knowledge production, new modes of publication, or other literary or rhetorical subfield, will be considered an asset. The Department promotes an integrated research culture, combining expertise in the fields of literary study, rhetorical study, and digital media.

Applicants for this position must have a completed PhD and should provide evidence of research potential and achievement commensurate with their experience and a strong teaching record in relevant areas. The successful candidate will teach writing- and speaking-intensive communication courses for science and/or engineering students; thus, experience teaching science and/or technical communication courses or courses in allied areas such as science and literature, history of science, or in Science, Technology, and Society (STS) studies, at the post-secondary level will be considered an important asset.

The successful candidate will be offered a range of teaching, from first-year undergraduate courses through to graduate teaching and the supervision of doctoral students. The current teaching load is 2 + 2, which normally includes one graduate course. The salary range for this position at the rank of Assistant Professor is \$78,000 to \$100,000. Negotiations beyond this salary range may be considered for exceptionally qualified candidates.

The successful candidate will be involved in supporting our unique PhD degree, which integrates literary studies with the fields of rhetoric, media theory and design, communication, and discourse and text analysis. In addition, the successful candidate will teach courses related to our three MA degrees (Rhetoric and Communication Design; Experimental Digital Media; and Literary Studies), and our undergraduate degrees, including the BA Honours in Literature and the BA Honours in Rhetoric, Media and Professional Communication.

Applications are due by 15 January 2018. Please address applications to Professor Kate Lawson, Chair, Department of English Language and Literature, University of Waterloo. Application materials must be submitted online as PDF files through <a href="https://arts-ofas.uwaterloo.ca/english/">https://arts-ofas.uwaterloo.ca/english/</a>. Please include a letter of application, curriculum vitae, and a teaching dossier and/or link to an e-portfolio, and arrange for three letters of reference to be uploaded.

More information about the Department is available at <a href="https://uwaterloo.ca/english/">https://uwaterloo.ca/english/</a>. Further enquiries may be directed to Professor Lawson at <a href="englishchair@uwaterloo.ca">englishchair@uwaterloo.ca</a> or at 519-888-4567, ext. 33965.

The University of Waterloo respects, appreciates, and encourages diversity and is committed to accessibility for persons with disabilities. We welcome applications from all qualified individuals including women, members of visible minorities, Aboriginal peoples and persons with disabilities. All qualified candidates are encouraged to apply; however, Canadian citizens and permanent residents will be given priority in the recruitment process.

"Three reasons to apply: http://uwaterloo.ca/fauw/why".