



Job Opening: Assistant Professor of Polish Studies

Position Description

The Department of Slavic Languages and Literatures at the University of Washington (Seattle) invites applications for the Maria Kott endowed Professorship of Polish Studies. This is a full-time, 9-month, tenure-track Assistant Professor position, to begin September 16, 2023.

University of Washington faculty engage in research, teaching, and service. The teaching load comprises five courses a year over three academic quarters, and tenure-track faculty have an annual service period of 9 months (September 16 – June 15).

The holder of this position is expected to specialize in Polish language, literature, culture or art studies and to teach at the undergraduate and graduate level and supervise M.A. and Ph.D. students. The holder of the Maria Kott endowed Professorship of Polish Studies will be expected to help develop a leading, nationally-prominent program in Polish Studies at the University of Washington. In addition to university salary, the Maria Kott Endowed Professor of Polish Studies will receive interest from the endowment which is primarily intended for ensuring and organizing Polish language instruction and contributing to the research needs of this position.

The University of Washington is a large, urban, public, R1 institution located at the heart of Seattle. The selected applicant will be expected to provide high quality teaching across a range of different courses/topics and audiences, and to work effectively with diverse student and community populations.

The Department of Slavic Languages and Literatures values public-facing scholarship, so the candidate should be ready to create productive connections to vibrant cultural institutions in Seattle, including, but not limited to, the Polish Cultural Center.

For more information on the Department of Slavic Languages and Literatures please see: <https://slavic.washington.edu/>.

Qualifications

Candidates should have a Ph.D. (or foreign equivalent) in Polish language, literature, culture, or art studies by start of appointment.

Instructions

To Apply: apply.interfolio.com/109306

Applicants should submit a letter of application that includes current and future research plans, CV, three confidential letters of recommendation, a writing sample of no more than 6000 words (could be a dissertation chapter plus 1-2-page abstract of the dissertation, a book chapter, or a published article or other written material), 1-2 page statement of teaching philosophy and experience, course syllabi and student evaluations



from two or more classes, and a 1-2 page statement on the candidate's contribution and sustained efforts to diversity, equity and inclusion in teaching, service, scholarship, and/or mentoring.

Applicants are welcome to contextualize their dossier by providing details that might include experiences, aspects of training, outreach, teaching or research that will contribute to a distinctive professional profile.

Preference will be given to dossiers received by November 15, 2022. Review of applications will continue until the position is filled.

For questions regarding the position, please contact the Slavic Department Administrator at slavadm@uw.edu.

Equal Employment Opportunity Statement

University of Washington is an affirmative action and equal opportunity employer. All qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to race, color, creed, religion, national origin, sex, sexual orientation, marital status, pregnancy, genetic information, gender identity or expression, age, disability, or protected veteran status.

Commitment to Diversity

The University of Washington is committed to building diversity among its faculty, librarian, staff, and student communities, and articulates that commitment in the UW Diversity Blueprint (<http://www.washington.edu/diversity/diversity-blueprint/>). Additionally, the University's Faculty Code recognizes faculty efforts in research, teaching and/or service that address diversity and equal opportunity as important contributions to a faculty member's academic profile and responsibilities (<https://www.washington.edu/admin/rules/policies/FCG/FCCH24.html#2432>).

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