San José State University  
San José, California
ANNOUNCEMENT OF POSITION AVAILABILITY  
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Specialization: Creative Writing -- Fiction

Job Opening ID (JOID): 23800

Rank: Assistant Professor (Tenure-track)

Qualifications--
  Required: MFA or Ph.D. in Creative Writing by start of appointment. Evidence of current and continuing publication in fiction. Experience teaching successfully at the university level, ideally in creative writing classes. Applicants should have awareness of and sensitivity to the educational goals of a multicultural population as might have been gained in cross-cultural study, training, teaching, or other comparable experience.

  Preferred: A minimum of one book-length work published from a reputable press (e.g., a novel or short story collection); Secondary teaching field of nonfiction; Experience in digital publishing/editing; Ability to teach literature courses for majors and non-majors; Experience with arts management; and/or Evidence of leadership capabilities.

Responsibilities: Teach creative writing, primarily fiction, at the general education, major, and graduate levels. Supervise master’s theses in fiction, and serve as second and third reader on MFA theses in other genres. Teach other courses in the Department of English and Comparative Literature. Participate in MFA program decision-making processes and program administration. Strong teaching, publication record, committee and other service to the department and university will be necessary components of tenure. Candidate must address the needs of a student population of great diversity – in age, cultural background, ethnicity, primary language, and academic preparation – through course materials, teaching strategies, and advisement.

Salary Range: Commensurate with qualifications and experience.

Starting Date: August 21, 2017

Eligibility: Employment is contingent upon proof of eligibility to work in the United States.

Application Procedures: For full consideration, submit an electronic packet that includes: (1) letter of application; (2) curriculum vitae; (3) statement of teaching interests/philosophy; (4) statement of creative agenda; (5) writing sample; and (6) three recent letters of reference with contact information by 4 November 2016 to apply.interfolio.com/37038. Please include Job Opening ID in all correspondence.

Questions can be directed to Dr. Shannon Miller at Shannon.Miller@sjsu.edu.
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