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Graphic Design Program, Two Assistant Professors

School of Art + Design, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign (UIUC)

The School of Art + Design at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign invites applications for two full-time, tenure-track Assistant Professor positions in Graphic Design beginning August 2011.

Qualifications

MFA in Graphic Design or equivalent degree in a related field is required. One to three years of teaching experience beyond graduate instruction is desirable. Candidates should possess a demonstrated record of professional accomplishments and be in dialogue with contemporary design discourse, particularly as it relates to practice or pedagogy. Successful candidates will be versatile, forward-thinking designers whose work and research reach into other disciplines from within a solid foundation in graphic design. An excellent working knowledge of appropriate software is assumed and any programming experience or active critical practice would be considered an asset.

Responsibilities

The candidates will play an active role in building curriculum for both undergraduate and graduate students in Graphic Design. Teaching responsibilities include core curriculum courses, foundation studios and graduate level courses. Successful applicants must also demonstrate their ability to support and contribute to the Graphic Design Program, the School of Art + Design, and the University of Illinois through active research, service and public engagement. Salary commensurate with experience.

Context

Building upon its longstanding reputation for excellence, the Graphic Design Program at the School of Art + Design is responsive to the changing realities of the contemporary design landscape. The current faculty represent a range of research viewpoints and modes of practice that collectively expand and redefine traditional notions of graphic design for their students and the profession. Successful candidates will contribute to the Department's diverse and proactive approach to reshaping the field. Staffed labs for traditional and contemporary media support student and faculty work, including spaces for digital imaging, audiovisual editing, rapid prototyping, darkroom and digital printing. Bookbinding, letterpress, screen printing and printmaking facilities are also available. The School offers undergraduate and/or graduate degrees in Art Education, Art History, Ceramics, Graphic Design, Industrial Design, Metals, New Media, Painting, Photography, and Sculpture.

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As a part of the College of Fine and Applied Arts at Illinois, the School of Art + Design offers ready opportunity for collaborations with Krannert Art Museum and Krannert Center for Performing Arts, *Figure One* (School of Art and Design) Exhibition Space, and with active departments of Architecture, Landscape Architecture, Dance, Theater, and Music. Faculty scholarship and teaching is also supported on campus by such units as the Illinois Program for Research in the Humanities, Center for Advanced Study, and the Beckman Institute for Advanced Science and Technology. Through funding opportunities for research and travel these organizations contribute to a climate of rigorous production and inquiry. As a Research One institution, the University of Illinois is strongly international, and recognized for excellence in the Sciences, Engineering, Humanities and the Arts. Supported by the nation's third largest research library and abundant technological resources, Illinois provides a rich environment for both disciplinary and interdisciplinary ventures. Champaign-Urbana is located in East Central Illinois, within short driving distance to Chicago, Indianapolis, and St. Louis. For more information, please visit: www.illinois.edu for the University, www.faa.uiuc.edu for the college, and www.art.uiuc.edu for the School. *The University of Illinois is an Affirmative Action, Equal Opportunity Employer. Candidates from traditionally underrepresented groups are strongly encouraged to apply.*

Application

To ensure full consideration, applications must be received by January 7, 2011. Please create your candidate profile at <http://jobs.illinois.edu> and upload the following:

1. Detailed letter of application
2. Design research statement
3. Teaching philosophy
4. Curriculum vitae
5. Sample syllabi
6. Names and complete contact information for three references
7. Portfolio of professional/research work and student work (up to 20 images for each)

Portfolios and student work should be submitted as PDF (letter-sized pages preferred) or JPEG files (no larger than 2 MB). For JPEGs, use the naming convention of: "lastname_pw_01.jpg" for professional work and "lastname_sw_01.jpg" for student work. Please clearly title all other files using your last name and the contents ("lastname_curriculum_vitae" or "lastname_designer_statement").

Please direct any inquiries to:

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