



Arts, Culture and Media

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The Department of Arts, Culture and Media at the University of Toronto Scarborough (UTSC) invites applications for a full-time teaching stream position in the area of Critical Digital Methods and Practices. The appointment will be at the rank of Assistant Professor, Teaching Stream with an expected start date of July 1, 2021, or shortly thereafter.

Applicants must have earned a PhD degree in Media Studies or a related area by the time of appointment, or shortly thereafter with a demonstrated record of excellence in teaching. The successful candidate must have a breadth of experience teaching digital design, digital methods, and/or emergent techno-cultural practice. Candidates' practice may be interdisciplinary, and must demonstrate expertise in one or more of the following areas: critical software studies, critical code studies, critical data studies; platform studies; and/or digital media practices among minoritized communities. Priority will be given to candidates who are proficient in and have demonstrated teaching experience in both applied and critical engagements with digital methods, preferably with expertise in data visualization, data retrieval, and other digital tools.

Candidates must have teaching expertise in a degree granting program, including lecture preparation and delivery, curriculum development, and development of online material/lectures. Additionally, candidates must possess a demonstrated commitment to excellent pedagogical practices and demonstrated interest in teaching-related scholarly activities. Candidates must also demonstrate the ability to work within an interdisciplinary arts department where horizontal connections among faculty of different fields are encouraged: see <https://www.utsc.utoronto.ca/acm/acm-research-themes>.

Candidates must demonstrate excellent teaching ability and the capacity to teach a wide range of courses in media studies by providing a teaching portfolio, which includes: a coherent statement of teaching philosophy linked to excellent pedagogical practice; sample course syllabi; course materials; teaching evaluations; and documentation indicating innovation in any other teaching related activities, such as leading workshops or seminars, as well as strong letters of reference from referees of high standing. The successful candidate will be responsible for teaching and supervising students in the undergraduate degree program, fulfilling other professional and administrative activities related to teaching, and participating in curriculum development and departmental and university committee work in order to contribute to program and departmental

initiatives. We especially welcome candidates with experience in these areas as well as in working with, teaching or mentoring diverse groups or students, and who have demonstrated the ability to foster diversity on campus and within the curriculum or discipline. Candidates must show evidence of a commitment to equity, diversity, inclusion, and the promotion of a respectful and collegial learning and working environment demonstrated through the application materials.

The University of Toronto offers the opportunity to conduct research and creative practice, teach, and live in one of the most diverse cities of the world. The appointment is at the University of Toronto Scarborough, which is a research-intensive campus with an interdisciplinary commitment, a multicultural student body, and a modern campus. The Department of Arts, Culture and Media at UTSC is a unique multi-disciplinary research and teaching environment, with programs in Art History and Visual Culture; Arts Management; Curatorial Studies; Journalism (Joint Program); Media, Journalism and Digital Cultures; New Media Studies (Joint Program); Music and Culture; Studio Art; and Theatre and Performance: see <https://www.utsc.utoronto.ca/acm/>.

Salary will be commensurate with qualifications and experience.

All qualified candidates are invited to apply by clicking on the link below. Applicants must submit: 1) a cover letter; 2) a complete and current curriculum vita; 3) a complete teaching portfolio that includes a statement of teaching philosophy, sample syllabi, course materials, teaching evaluations, and/or descriptions of teaching strategies; Additionally, candidates are asked to append a 1-2 page statement identifying how their research, teaching, service or professional practice demonstrates a commitment to equity and diversity. The statement might cover topics such as (but not limited to): creative practice, scholarship or teaching that incorporates a focus on underrepresented communities, the development of inclusive pedagogies, or the mentoring of students from underrepresented groups. For more context about the University of Toronto's commitment to diversity, see <http://www.president.utoronto.ca/presidents-statement-on-diversity-and-inclusion>. Note as well the Department of Arts, Culture & Media's own Equity and Diversity in the Arts Initiative: <https://www.utsc.utoronto.ca/acm/equity-and-diversity-arts>.

Applicants must provide the name and contact information of three references. At least one reference must primarily address the candidate's teaching. The University of Toronto's recruiting tool will automatically solicit and collect letters of reference from each once an application is submitted. Applicants, however, remain responsible for ensuring that references submit letters (on letterhead, dated and signed) by the closing date.

Applications must be submitted online. Please combine attached documents into one or two files in PDF/MS Word format. Submission guidelines can be found at <http://uoft.me/how-to-apply>.

All application materials, including reference letters, must be received by November 30, 2020. If you have any questions about this position, please contact acm-ca@utsc.utoronto.ca.

All qualified candidates are encouraged to apply; however, Canadians and permanent residents will be given priority.

Diversity Statement

The University of Toronto is strongly committed to diversity within its community and especially welcomes applications from racialized persons / persons of colour, women, Indigenous / Aboriginal People of North America, persons with disabilities, LGBTQ persons, and others who may contribute to the further diversification of ideas.

As part of your application, you will be asked to complete a brief Diversity Survey. This survey is voluntary. Any information directly related to you is confidential and cannot be accessed by search committees or human resources staff. Results will be aggregated for institutional planning purposes. For more information, please see <http://uoft.me/UP>.

Accessibility Statement

The University strives to be an equitable and inclusive community, and proactively seeks to increase diversity among its community members. Our values regarding equity and diversity are linked with our unwavering commitment to excellence in the pursuit of our academic mission.

The University is committed to the principles of the Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act (AODA). As such, we strive to make our recruitment, assessment and selection processes as accessible as possible and provide accommodations as required for applicants with disabilities.

If you require any accommodations at any point during the application and hiring process, please contact uoft.careers@utoronto.ca.