

Assistant Professor of Fashion Design, Tenure Track

Job Description

Albright College invites applications for a tenure track Assistant Professor of Fashion Design beginning August 15, 2019.

Position Qualifications: To be considered for tenure track, the candidate must have an M.F.A. or PhD in Fashion Design. M.A./M.S degrees considered if there is strong evidence of scholarship/creative work and professional development. A successful candidate will show success in teaching undergraduate students design and construction at all levels, from introduction to advanced, including patternmaking and draping. Knowledge of commercial and industrial sewing machines is essential. Additional experience in teaching textiles and/or fashion history is desirable. Knowledge of computer design/production programs from Adobe, Lectra and Gerber used within the fashion industry and industry experience is preferred.

Expectations: The Fashion Department is searching for a new colleague who is committed to the success of our students both in and outside of the classroom. Teaching load is normally 6 courses per year. This position would include a course release for acting as design studio coordinator. The specific teaching assignments will depend on the candidate's areas of expertise and experience as well as departmental needs. Possibilities include: Introductory sewing labs, Intermediate and Advanced Construction, Patternmaking, Draping, Textiles, Fashion History and Senior Seminar Design. Academic advising of students is a responsibility that is taken on after successful completion of the first year. Active participation in recruiting students and in departmental events is expected.

Faculty have the opportunity to develop new and innovative courses, and may choose to offer courses in January term or Summer Session. In addition, our faculty have the opportunity to partner with students in Albright's Creative Research Experience (ACRE) during January interim and summer sessions. This program provides internal funding for student/faculty collaborative research.

This faculty position is situated within the Fashion Department which is an integral part of Albright College's Center for the Arts. It is consistently one of the top 5 enrolled majors on campus. Last year Albright was ranked number 20 on the list of top private fashion design schools in the United States.

About Albright College: Albright College is a diverse learning community that encourages innovation and interdisciplinarity. Albright College aspires to serve as a national model for integrating the liberal arts with a commitment to college access for a broad and diverse population. A selective liberal arts college founded in 1856 and located in the residential neighborhood of College Heights in Reading, PA, Albright is located within an hour of Philadelphia, two hours from Baltimore, and three hours from New York City and Washington, D.C., Albright enrolls approximately 1600 students from 30 states and 12 countries in our residential college and about 500 nontraditional students in our evening, accelerated degree programs. Our 41% diversity rate helps students prepare for today's global workplace, where differences in backgrounds and perspectives are the norm.

Albright offers some 58 undergraduate majors, all of them firmly grounded in the liberal arts. The College's flexible interdisciplinary curriculum encourages students to combine majors and disciplines to create an individualized academic program that meets their needs and reflects their interests.

We are looking for new colleagues who are committed to joining us in our mission of educating students of academic promise, and who would thrive in a learning community that places significant value on the residential nature of a liberal arts learning community and provides experiential learning and research opportunities for our students.

More information about Albright College is available at www.albright.edu.

Application Process:

Application review will begin on December 1, 2018 and will continue until the position is filled.

Qualified applicants should apply via our website www.albright.edu/hr/employment.html.

Applications should include: 1) cover letter; 2) curriculum vitae; 3) sample of scholarly or creative work; 4) statement of teaching philosophy; 5) student creative work and 6) evidence of teaching effectiveness (i.e. student evaluations of teaching, sample syllabi of courses taught). Please arrange to have at least two reference letters submitted, one of which addresses teaching effectiveness.

Albright College is an equal opportunity employer. In pursuit of enriching the diversity within our community, we encourage the application of qualified women, minorities, protected veterans, and people with disabilities. Qualified applicants will be considered without regard to race, color, religion, age, sex, sexual orientation or identity, national origin, disability status, or protected veteran status.