Assistant Professor in Transnational History

The Department of Historical and Cultural Studies at the University of Toronto Scarborough (UTSC) invites applications for a full-time tenure-stream position at the rank of Assistant Professor in the area of transnational or global history. The appointment will commence on July 1, 2019, or shortly after.

Candidates must have a Ph.D. in history or a related humanities discipline grounded in historical archival research by the time of appointment, or shortly thereafter. The successful candidate will bring critical and interdisciplinary methods to the historical study of cross-regional circulations of people, capital, goods, or culture, or will critically examine the history of the ideologies and power politics of global systems, policies or phenomena including migration. We seek candidates whose research and teaching interests complement and enhance the Department's existing strengths and meet its pedagogical needs, see https://www.utsc.utoronto.ca/hcs/faculty. While we welcome applicants working on all time periods or regions, we especially encourage applications from scholars whose work challenges received periodization, broadens transnational inquiry by researching beyond the “Global North,” provides a gendered lens, and/or contributes to one or more of the department’s other five programs besides History: African Studies, Classical Studies, Food Studies, Global Asia Studies, and Women’s and Gender Studies.

The successful candidate is expected to have a demonstrated record of excellence in research and teaching at the time of appointment, to continue to pursue innovative and independent research at the highest international level, and to establish an outstanding, competitive and externally funded research program. Evidence of excellence in research may include proof of an outstanding dissertation, (forthcoming) publications in leading journals/presses, presentations at major academic conferences, awards and accolades, an exceptional research statement and writing sample, and strong endorsement from referees of high standing. Excellence in teaching can be shown by strong teaching statement and evaluations, innovative course syllabi, and other evidence in the submitted teaching dossier as explained below.

The Department of Historical and Cultural Studies (HCS) consists of six vibrant, transdisciplinary programs that work together in exploring key questions about human societies and cultures and their power-laden interrelations. The department is located at the University of Toronto Scarborough (UTSC), a comprehensive university and a fully integrated part of the tri-campus system of the University of Toronto, one of the world’s leading research universities. Building upon the expertise of our faculty and the extensive resources of the university, HCS is uniquely positioned to nurture interdisciplinary and critical scholarship and teaching. Drawing students from numerous countries and situated in one of the most diverse metropolitan regions in North America, the University of Toronto offers exceptional opportunities for scholars interested in issues with transnational or global implications. More details about the Department can be found at http://www.utsc.utoronto.ca/~hcs.
Besides an undergraduate appointment at UTSC, the successful candidate will be appointed to a graduate unit at the University of Toronto appropriate for the disciplinary background, including but not limited to the Graduate Departments of History, Classical Studies, East Asian Studies, or the Women & Gender Studies Institute. The new hire will teach and supervise both undergraduate and graduate students, develop courses at all levels, and contribute teaching and service to multiple programs in the department.

Salary will be competitive and commensurate with qualification and experience.

Applications should include a cover letter (up to three pages), current curriculum vitae, a research statement, a writing sample (up to 25 pages, single spaced), a teaching dossier (including a teaching statement, two sample syllabi of courses on transnational history, as well as teaching evaluations, if available, for two recent courses). Questions about this job should be directed to Professor Li Chen, Chair, Department of Historical and Cultural Studies, at hcschair@utsc.utoronto.ca.

All application materials should be submitted online at http://uoft.me/academicopportunities (Job#1804537). Submission guidelines can be found at: http://uoft.me/how-to-apply. We recommend combining all attachments into one or two files in PDF/MS Word format. Applicants should also ask three academic referees to email letters, signed and on letterhead, directly to the Department at transnationalhissearch@utsc.utoronto.ca.

All application materials, including reference letters, must be received by the closing date of December 20, 2018.

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.

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