Definite-term lecturer positions in the Faculty of Arts

The Faculty of Arts at the University of Waterloo invites applications for seven Definite Term Lecturer positions with a start date of July 1, 2018 for a two-year term. These positions will support a new Faculty-wide initiative, “Arts First,” designed to help undergraduate students build foundational competencies in communication and analysis in small class settings. In order to highlight broad areas of research within Arts, faculty in the Arts First program design seminars around one of four themes: Inequality: the Haves and Have-Nots, Borders and Belonging, After the Digital, and Truth or Lies. We are seeking teachers and scholars from any humanities or social sciences discipline whose work engages, or broadly and creatively approaches, one of these four themes. We encourage applications from candidates with PhDs in Economics, Psychology, Sociology, English, Communication, Anthropology, Classical Studies, History, Philosophy, Fine Arts, Religious Studies, and other disciplines in the humanities or social sciences. We are especially interested in candidates with interdisciplinary, provocative, and innovative ways of approaching one of the four themes.

These positions involve teaching seven courses per academic year in the fall, winter, and spring terms (80% of the appointment), and various service and administrative responsibilities (20% of the appointment). It is anticipated that Definite Term Lecturers will teach several sections of the Arts First seminars (ARTS 130 and ARTS 140) focused on one of the four themes and limited to 25 students each, as well as discipline-specific courses in one of the Departments in Arts. Successful candidates will be appointed to one of the Faculty’s sixteen departments depending on the candidate’s disciplinary background.

Strong candidates will have demonstrated excellence in undergraduate teaching, a commitment to experiential learning, experience liaising with university faculty and staff, and familiarity with diverse groups of students. Because Arts First prioritizes student-centered learning, communication competencies, and critical thinking, candidates with commitments to practice-based teaching and an interest in interdisciplinary or transdisciplinary pedagogy will be preferred.

The Faculty of Arts at the University of Waterloo has more than 7,000 students enrolled in a range of programs, which include Honours Arts, Honours Arts and Business, and Global Business and Digital Arts. The Faculty emphasizes academic excellence and experiential learning, and has a rich teaching and research culture.
The salary range for these positions is $65,000.00-$95,000.00, commensurate with qualifications and experience. The closing date for applications is April 1, 2018. A letter of application should be addressed to Dr. Katherine Acheson, Associate Dean of Arts, Undergraduate Programs, and be uploaded as a pdf to https://arts-ofas.uwaterloo.ca/arts along with a CV, evidence of teaching effectiveness, and three confidential letters of recommendation.

The University of Waterloo respects, appreciates and encourages diversity and is committed to accessibility for persons with disabilities. We welcome applications from all qualified individuals including women, members of visible minorities, Aboriginal peoples and persons with disabilities. All qualified candidates are encouraged to apply; however, Canadian citizens and permanent residents will be given priority in the recruitment process.

“Three reasons to apply: http://uwaterloo.ca/fauw/why.”