

Emerson College

Department of Visual and Media Arts

Assistant Professor of Media Studies (2 positions)

The Department of Visual and Media Arts at Emerson College invites applications for two full-time, tenure-track Assistant Professor positions in Media Studies. We are particularly interested in candidates who could complement our existing faculty's strengths by contributing expertise in either of the following two areas: 1) Ecomedia/Media and the Environment focusing on intersections between sustainability/climate justice and media industries/cultures; 2) Media of the Global South and/or Black, Indigenous, and/or Latinx Media, including, but not limited to, cinema, television, and emerging and streaming media. The appointment begins August 22, 2024 with a mandatory two-day orientation August 22 & 23, 2024.

Emerson College believes the pathway to achieving inclusive excellence and fostering a campus climate where everyone can thrive is only possible in an authentically equitable, accessible, and socially just environment. As a creative community with a shared investment in the power of storytelling, we continually strive to cultivate the widest possible pool of talent, fully embracing individuals from varied cultures, races, abilities, gender identities, sexual orientations, linguistic backgrounds, socioeconomic statuses, life experiences, nationalities, perspectives, beliefs, and values.

The Department of Visual and Media Arts (VMA) is a vibrant and engaged community of artists, scholars, and professionals, with over 100 full- and part-time faculty members, 1700 undergraduate students, and more than 100 MFA graduate students. The Department offers general education courses in art history, a BA degree that includes tracks in either Media Studies or Media Production, a BFA in Media Production, an international BFA in Film Art with the Paris College of Art, a low-residency MFA in Writing for Film and Television, and an MFA in Film and Media Art. VMA also contributes to several interdepartmental programs. These positions would also have the opportunity to work with the Social Impact Studios in the Engagement Lab and the Social Impact Design minor in the area of social and climate justice.

Emerson College enrolls over 5,800 graduate and undergraduate students from 49 states and more than 70 countries. Its main campus is located in the dynamic, multicultural city of Boston. The college also has campuses in Los Angeles and the Netherlands. Emerson's commitment to inclusive excellence is supported by a range of resources such as the Office of Internationalization & Equity, the Social Justice Center, and the Center for Innovation in Teaching and Learning.

Qualifications:

The ideal candidates will be active media studies scholars and dedicated educators each with (1) a record of recognized, innovative scholarly publication in either of the designated area of expertise listed above; (2) college-level teaching experience as instructor of record in courses focusing on media history, criticism, and/or theory; and (3) a Ph.D. in media studies, visual or cultural studies, or a related field expected in hand by the time of appointment. A strong commitment to undergraduate education in a residential college environment is essential.

Responsibilities for both positions include teaching introductory, upper-level undergraduate, and graduate classes in media studies within the Department of Visual and Media Arts. Successful candidates will demonstrate an investment in teaching in our new Foundations

program, which includes courses on Media Histories, Approaches to Media Studies, and Media Criticism and Theory, as well as in bringing their expertise to bear in curriculum development.

Other courses taught would ideally serve students from across the College in addition to Visual and Media Arts majors. Additional responsibilities include academic advising, student mentorship, support for admissions, and serving on Department, School, and College committees. The Department seeks candidates who will contribute to the scope and excellence of a diverse academic community through ongoing engagement with students both inside and outside of the classroom in addition to pursuing scholarship, teaching, and service.

Upholding the principle that diversity enriches education, Emerson College provides students with opportunities to learn from individuals who bring deep knowledge, different experiences, and unfamiliar perspectives to bear on teaching and creative work. More generally, the College is committed to infusing diversity into the curriculum, co-curricular offerings, and other activities as the means to develop community and intellectual growth. To support and sustain this community of learning, applicants demonstrating a record of significant engagement with issues of social, economic, racial, and/or gender justice and equity in their work will be given preference.

To Apply:

Please submit a 2-4 page letter of application that indicates how your work foregrounds either of our designated areas of expertise, and that states your theory of pedagogy and how you center your commitment to diversity, equity, and inclusion as a core value in your research, teaching, and service; a current curriculum vita; the names and contact information for three references (not to be contacted without applicant's written approval); and an article- or chapter-length example of your recent scholarship illustrating your suitability for the relevant area of hire.

Preference will be given to applications received by September 25, 2023 but the position will remain open until filled.

Please note, in the job application where there is the "CV/Cover Letter/ Additional Documents" dropbox, you must include all of the required materials listed above. You can upload each document separately or as a combined PDF. Your application will not be complete without these documents.

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