

Professional In Residence, School of Journalism & Media
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Job Title	Professional In Residence, School of Journalism & Media
Department	8M100: School Of Journalism and Media
Institution	University of Kentucky Lexington, Kentucky
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Application Deadline	Open until filled
Position Start Date	August 2024
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Job Description

PROFESSIONAL IN RESIDENCE VIDEO GAME DESIGN AND DEVELOPMENT

The College of Communication and Information at the University of Kentucky invites applications for the position of Professional in Residence, a non-tenure track lecturer position, to serve a two-year appointment, with the possibility of one-year renewal, to teach three (3) courses per semester in video game design and development and esports. The anticipated start date is August 16, 2024.

Qualification and Responsibilities:

The School of Journalism and Media is seeking candidates for the position of esports/video game professional in residence to join a nationally ranked media and journalism program. This is a non-tenure-track, lecturer title series one year appointment with possibility of renewal. The anticipated start date for this position is August 16, 2024. Main responsibilities include teaching three courses per semester in video game design and development and esports. The specialist will mentor and oversee

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esports groups and participate in event planning and the administration of esports tournaments and other programs at the UK campus. The hire is expected to collaborate with faculty and staff to identify, create, and facilitate learning opportunities for students relating to video games and esports. The ideal candidate must have a minimum of five (5) years of related and verifiable work experience in video game design and development and is required to hold a bachelor's or master's (preferred) degree from an accredited college or university.

Our Commitment to Diversity:

Experiencing a record high enrollment growth in students classified as first-generation and underrepresented minorities, the University of Kentucky is committed to creating a diverse, multicultural community of scholars and learners. It strives to be a model for the Commonwealth of Kentucky of a truly diverse society that celebrates human differences, promotes fairness and equity in policies and practices, and upholds basic principles of social justice. It is within this framework that the School of Information Science has developed a dedicated on-going program to make diversity central to its curriculum, activities, and staffing. It is also committed to educating its students about the value of diversity to them, the university, and greater society; and through this plan, the school works toward these goals.

As such, we are committed to recruitment, retention, and representation strategies and practices to increase the presence of underrepresented individuals, including ongoing investment and responsive support to ensure that our employees are able to grow and succeed in their careers. Our commitment applies to all candidates inclusive of race, color, creed, religion, national origin, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity and gender expression, age, marital status, disability, or status as a protected veteran.

About the School:

The School of Journalism and Media is recognized for its accomplishments in academic scholarship and professional areas. The School offers B.A. and B.S. degrees in two areas of study: journalism (print/multimedia, broadcast/multimedia) and media arts and studies. Both programs are fully ACEJMC accredited. The School also participates in the graduate program of the college that includes the M.A. and Ph.D. in Communication.

Students learn first-hand working at the award-winning Kentucky Kernel newspaper, KRNL Lifestyle and Fashion magazine and the Kentucky Kernel Year in Photos. Also, there are great opportunities at WRFL, WUKY, and the Student News Network, our award-winning student newscast. School alumni include Pulitzer, Emmy, Murrow, and Oscar winners and current media makers with ESPN, CBS, NBC, NPR, CNN, EA, and The Washington Post.

The School also promotes the free flow of information through its Scripps Howard First Amendment

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Center. Since 1981, the School has been the home of the Kentucky Journalism Hall of Fame. The Institute for Rural Journalism and Community Issues also operates within the School.

About the College:

The College of Communication and Information is composed of two schools (School of Information Science and School of Journalism and Media), two departments (Department of Communication and Department of Integrated Strategic Communication), and interdisciplinary master's and PhD programs. More than 80 full-time faculty lead over 2,000 undergraduate majors and 350 graduate students while also teaching in the university's core curriculum and serving students pursuing minors and certificates in the college. The college also houses University of Kentucky's independent student newspaper, The Kentucky Kernel, and the championship winning Intercollegiate Debate Team.

About the University:

Located in the vibrant city of Lexington, the University of Kentucky is a public, land-grant institution that plays a critical leadership role in promoting diversity, inclusion, economic development, and human well-being. The campus is home to more than 31,000 students, more than 2,500 faculty members, and nearly 14,000 staff members. The university is one of just eight in the country with a major academic health center and a full spectrum of academic colleges and professional schools on one contiguous campus. As such, the University of Kentucky is an incubator for interdisciplinary research. These collaborations allow researchers to address the rapidly changing needs of a global society.

According to Forbes magazine's 2022 America's Best-in-State Employers list, the University of Kentucky is the top ranked education employer in the state. In addition, for a fifth straight year, the University of Kentucky has appeared on ModernThink's list of Great Colleges to Work For. As a leader among employers, the University of Kentucky offers a comprehensive benefits package. For more details, please visit www.uky.edu/HR/benefits.

About Lexington:

Featured on the U.S. News & World Report's list of best places to live in 2022, the City of Lexington is a great place to not only live, but also work and study. With a population of roughly 320,000, Lexington offers both the warmth and lower cost of living of a small city and the amenities you would enjoy in a larger city, including the arts, cultural events, and a thriving dining scene. <https://www.visitlex.com/> Application materials should include: (1) a letter of application that briefly summarizes background, qualifications, teaching experience, and interest in the position; (2) a curriculum vita; (3) contact information for three references when prompted in the application.

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Application review will begin January 22, 2024 and continue until the position is filled. Questions regarding the position may be directed to Search Committee Chair: Zixue Tai via email at: ztai2@uky.edu.

The University of Kentucky is an Equal Opportunity Employer and encourages applications from veterans, individuals with disabilities, women, African Americans, and all minorities.

Contact Information

Please reference Academickeys in your cover letter when applying for or inquiring about this job announcement.

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