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JOB DESCRIPTION SUMMARY

The Department of Humanities and Arts (HUA) at Worcester Polytechnic Institute (WPI) seeks to appoint a tenure-track assistant professor in Modern US History starting in the 2025-2026 academic year, beginning in July 2025.

We welcome applications from scholars working in any thematic field, and especially invite applicants who can leverage their research to launch a creative teaching profile that pushes students to think across fields while addressing contemporary problems in historical context.

We seek someone who can provoke our students' curiosity and who can flexibly inhabit a wide-ranging interdisciplinary department populated by courses, problem-based learning, and capstone humanities projects. Specifically, this position involves teaching and collaboratively rethinking existing courses in post-1877 US history and expanding the reach of our curriculum through new courses and capstone seminars.

The successful candidate will be a scholar-teacher of exceptional promise with an active research-publication program and a dynamic pedagogical agenda.

WPI is a campus of learners who are passionate about creating an inclusive workplace that promotes and values diversity. We look for candidates who can support our commitment to equity, diversity, and inclusion.

JOB DESCRIPTION

Job responsibilities:

- teach 6 offerings (typically 4 courses and 2 capstone inquiry seminars) per academic year, which consists of four 7-week terms (2 terms per semester)
- contribute to scholarly communities through publications, presentations, and/or public scholarship
- advise student projects
- participate in service to and initiatives of the Humanities and Arts Department and the university

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Qualifications:

- PhD in hand by time of appointment in History, American Studies, or a closely related field
- successful classroom teaching and advising experience at the university level
- record of scholarly inquiry and clear promise of continuing professional growth and engagement

As part of your application, please submit:

- cover letter that describes your interests, values, and practices as a scholar and teacher
- CV that contains academic and professional experience and includes names and contact information for three professional references

We will request letters of reference, writing samples, and a teaching portfolio for short-listed candidates only.

Applications received by **November 30, 2024**, will receive full consideration.

WPI

Worcester Polytechnic Institute, founded in 1865, is one of the nation's oldest technological universities. WPI's mission is to create and convey scientific and technical knowledge in ways that benefit society. Education in the humanities and arts, which includes history, is central to this societal connection. The Humanities and Arts Department is home to more than ten historians and includes more than sixty faculty in Philosophy, Religion, Literature, Languages, Writing, Music, Theatre and Art. WPI encourages collaborations not only within multidisciplinary departments like HUA but throughout the university. Faculty members, students, and other partners work together on real-world projects and purposeful research that are hallmarks of the WPI experience. We are proud of our No. 1 ranking for "faculty who best combine research and teaching" (Wall Street Journal/Times Higher Ed, 2016). Located one hour west of Boston, the university's campus is in Worcester, Massachusetts, a thriving 21st century college city recognized as a growing hub of scientific and technological innovation.

FLSA STATUS

United States of America (Exempt)

WPI is an Equal Opportunity Employer that actively seeks to increase the diversity of its workplace. All qualified candidates will receive consideration for employment without regard to

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race, color, age, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, national origin, veteran status, or disability. It seeks individuals with diverse backgrounds and experiences who will contribute to a culture of creativity, collaboration, inclusion, problem solving, innovation, high performance, and change making. It is committed to maintaining a campus environment free of harassment and discrimination.

To apply, visit: https://wpi.wd5.myworkdayjobs.com/en-US/WPI_External_Career_Site/job/Worcester/Tenure-Track-Assistant-Professor-of-Modern-US-History_R0003003

About WPI

WPI is a vibrant, active, and diverse community of extraordinary students, world-renowned faculty, and state of the art research facilities. At WPI, we have competitive and comprehensive benefits, including health insurance, long-term care, retirement, tuition assistance, flexible spending accounts, work-life balance and much more.

Diversity & Inclusion at WPI

WPI is committed to creating an inclusive workplace where everyone feels valued and respected; a place where every student, faculty and staff member can be themselves, so that they can study, live, and work comfortably, to reach their full potential, and make meaningful contributions in order to meet departmental and institutional goals. WPI thrives on innovative practice and welcomes diverse perspectives, insight, and people from diverse lived experiences, to enhance the community environment and propel the institution to the next level in a competitive, global marketplace.

Contact Information

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

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