

Assistant Professor -- Italian Renaissance Literature --
Department of Italian Studies
University of California Berkeley

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Job Title	Assistant Professor -- Italian Renaissance Literature -- Department of Italian Studies
Department	Italian Studies
Institution	University of California Berkeley Berkeley, California
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Application Deadline	11/28/2025
Position Start Date	Available immediately
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Job Description

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Position overview

Salary range: The current salary range for this position is \$80,800-\$128,700 (9-month academic year salary), however, off-scale salary and other components of pay, which would yield compensation that is higher than this range, are offered to meet competitive conditions.

Anticipated start: July 1, 2026

Application Window

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Open date: September 24, 2025

Next review date: Friday, Nov 28, 2025 at 11:59pm (Pacific Time)

Apply by this date to ensure full consideration by the committee.

Final date: Friday, Nov 28, 2025 at 11:59pm (Pacific Time)

Applications will continue to be accepted until this date.

Position description

The Department of Italian Studies at the University of California, Berkeley is hiring a tenure-track Assistant Professor of Renaissance Italian Literature (1400-1600), with a secondary specialization in gender studies and/or critical race theory. In addition, we welcome applications from candidates working on a wide variety of critical approaches, including Mediterranean studies, environmental humanities, postcolonialism, visual culture, book history, material texts, digital humanities. The successful candidate will teach introductory and special topics courses in Renaissance Italian Literature, mentor undergraduate and graduate students, and dialogue with the broader Renaissance/early modern community on campus.

Tenure-track Assistant Professors at Berkeley are expected to excel in research, teaching, and service. Elements of the position include the following: implementing a program of research that culminates in the publication of books and articles; developing and teaching undergraduate and graduate seminars and lecture courses; supervising dissertation research; and participating in various administrative activities in the Italian department and across the University.

The Department of Italian Studies at UC Berkeley explores Italy's language, literature, history, and culture through dynamic, interdisciplinary perspectives, advancing its historical roots in innovative directions. Our mission is to foster a global understanding of Italy's impact across time and regions, supporting scholarly pursuits and public engagement through diverse programs, events, and study abroad opportunities. We annually sponsor and co-sponsor a range of events, some on specialized academic topics, others of more general interest, most open to the public, including lectures, conferences, film screenings. We sponsor and support study abroad programs in Italy during the regular academic year and in the summer.

The department is committed to addressing the family needs of faculty, including dual career couples and single parents. We are also interested in candidates who have had non-traditional career paths or who have taken time off for family reasons, or who have achieved excellence in careers outside

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academia. For information about potential relocation to Berkeley, or career needs of accompanying partners and spouses, please visit: <http://ofew.berkeley.edu/new-faculty>.

Qualifications

Basic qualifications (required at time of application)

PhD (or equivalent international degree), or enrolled in PhD or equivalent international degree-granting program at the time of application.

Application Requirements

Document requirements

- Curriculum Vitae - Your most recently updated C.V.
- Cover Letter
- Research Statement - Please discuss research accomplishments and proposed plans. This can include, for example, your publication record, awards, presentations, inclusive research practices, and areas for future research.
- Teaching, Mentoring, and Service Statement - Regarding teaching: please discuss prior teaching experience, teaching approach, and future teaching interests. This can include, for example, specific efforts and accomplishments, and future plans to support the success of all students through inclusive curriculum, classroom environment, and pedagogy. Please also discuss your mentoring experiences and approach. This can include, for example, past efforts and future plans to support the success of all students, and to foster an inclusive research environment that removes barriers and promotes equitable access and advancement of the research program. Regarding service: Please discuss specific prior and proposed academic, professional and/or public service activities. This can include, for example, participating in professional or scientific associations, serving on committees that advance department, campus or discipline goals, and conducting outreach activities that can remove barriers and increase participation of academics in your field.
- Authorization to Release Information Form - A reference check will be completed only if you are selected as the candidate to whom the hiring unit would like to extend a formal offer. Download, complete, sign, and upload the [Authorization to Release Information form](#).
- Writing Sample 1 - Please provide a sample of your academic writing, for example a dissertation chapter, an article or book chapter in draft, or a published article or book chapter.
- Writing Sample 2 - Please provide a sample of your academic writing, for example a dissertation chapter, an article or book chapter in draft, or a published article or book chapter.

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Reference requirements

- 3-5 required (contact information only)

Letters of reference will be requested for candidates who are under serious consideration at a later stage in the recruitment.

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Job location

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