

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

Assistant Professor – Studio Art Faculty of Fine Arts and Communications

Competition # 15.01.010

MacEwan University inspires students through a powerful combination of academic excellence and personal learning experiences. With a main campus located in culturally rich, downtown Edmonton, our comprehensive undergraduate university offers over 65 programs to approximately 12,000 students. Construction is currently underway on a new Centre for Arts and Culture slated to open in 2017. With a dedication to teaching excellence informed by scholarly research and creative activity, MacEwan provides an exceptional collaborative and supportive learning environment with a commitment to environmental sustainability and opportunities for community engagement. In support of faculty professional development, unique and enhanced services are provided through the Centre for the Advancement of Faculty Excellence (CAFÉ).

The Fine Art Program in the Faculty of Fine Arts and Communications invites applications for a full-time probationary appointment in Studio Art at the rank of Assistant Professor, commencing July 1st, 2015, subject to final budgetary approval.

The Fine Art program is currently a two-year diploma program with a contemporary art focus that prepares students for transfer to complete a Bachelor of Fine Art program and commencing a professional art practice. A four-year BFA degree is currently being developed. Housed in the multidisciplinary environment of the Faculty of Fine Arts and Communications, interdisciplinary practice is also encouraged, and the program hosts a Visiting Artist Lecture Series that introduces students to national and regional artists.

Criteria

Preferred candidates will hold a terminal degree (MFA) in a relevant area of expertise and will demonstrate a primary commitment to undergraduate teaching and an ongoing research program, with substantial teaching experience at the post-secondary level.

The successful candidate will demonstrate knowledge of the theory, practice and history of contemporary art and have a commitment to critical thinking and contemporary practice in the expanding field of Sculpture/Installation, working in a range of media and environments. This should include at least two of the following areas: 2D or 3D object making, installation, art in the public sphere, built environments, performance art, sound or time-based media, or emerging forms. Applicants should have experience working in fabrication using wood shops, casting, modeling, and/or mold making. Digital fluency in 3D modeling/printing, interactive sculpture/installations, and/or time-based media is desirable. The successful candidate will have excellent communication skills, have interdisciplinary interests and be able to work with people from diverse backgrounds.

Responsibilities of this position include

- Teaching undergraduate courses in a combination of the following areas: Sculpture, Emerging Forms, Studio Foundations (3D foundations and/or Drawing), senior level studio and seminar courses related to area of expertise
- Maintaining a consistent program of scholarly and creative work
- Academic service, including serving on departmental and university committees, curricular development, with potential for leadership in the area.

Questions about this opportunity may be addressed to: Leslie Sharpe, Chair, Fine Art at shapel3@macewan.ca.

This position is included under the Faculty Association collective agreement. Salary is commensurate with qualifications and experience. A review of applications will begin March 9, 2015.

How to Apply:

Only applications received electronically will be considered. To apply, go to <http://www.macewan.ca/careers> and select the job posting.

Applicants should submit the following directly to careers@macewan.ca

- a cover letter
- curriculum vitae
- teaching dossier with teaching statement
- statement of creative work and research interests
- link to online portfolio or pdf with 20 examples of creative and scholarly work as well as up to 20 examples of student work. (If pdf files exceed 10 MB then do not submit in the email application. Instead provide a link via Dropbox or Google Drive, or a url.)
- names and contact information of three referees

Hard copy portfolios will not be accepted or considered.

Thank you for your interest in employment with MacEwan University. We will be reviewing all applications to select the candidates whose qualifications and experience most closely meet our needs. Only applicants selected for interviews will be contacted.

All qualified candidates are encouraged to apply; however, Canadian citizens and permanent residents will be given priority.

For general inquiries, please contact us at careers@macewan.ca.