ASSISTANT PROFESSOR OF ENGLISH
COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES
ENGLISH DEPARTMENT
NON-TENURE

Application review begins October 8, 2012. The position will remain open and applications will be reviewed until filled. Campus interviews are anticipated for late November and early December 2012. Start date: July 2013.

Founded in 1890, Whitworth has been consistently ranked among the top regional colleges and universities in the West. In its strong liberal arts undergraduate and graduate programs, Whitworth unites a robust commitment to Christian mission and service, academic rigor, and care for students. A community of Christian scholars carries out the university’s mission “to provide its diverse student body an education of the mind and heart” to enable students “to honor God, follow Christ, and serve humanity.” The English Department is situated within the College of Arts and Sciences, which bears primary responsibility for providing an education that is grounded in the great tradition of liberal arts and sciences and committed to the integration of faith and learning.

The English Department at Whitworth University seeks to instill in our graduates love of reading, love of writing, and sensitivity to the power and complexity of language. We ask our students to develop and demonstrate skill in research and textual analysis, along with the ability to write focused and cogent arguments. We offer a broad range of courses, including traditional courses in writing (such as fiction, poetry, and creative non-fiction) and literature (American, British, and world literatures); courses focused on literary critical theory and cultural studies; courses in composition and rhetoric; and courses focused on interpreting film and media. The department is also the home of the university writing program, and it provides leadership both for the university writing center and for writing across the curriculum initiatives on campus. For a further description of the English Department and the work of its faculty, please see http://www.whitworth.edu/english/.

RESPONSIBILITIES AND DUTIES:
We are looking for a teacher-scholar in 19th- and early 20th-century American literature. This is a full-time, renewable, non-tenure track position eligible for promotion, professional leaves, and other faculty benefits. Preference will be given to candidates with expertise in women's and gender studies. The ability to teach world literature or ethnic American literature will be a plus, as will interest in transnational approaches. 3-1-3 teaching load (3 courses in each regular semester and 1 course during a shortened January term): upper- and lower-division literature, two sections of freshman composition. Advising and participation in faculty governance expected. Salary commensurate with experience.

QUALIFICATIONS, SKILLS AND ABILITIES:
- Ph.D. in English or related field before August 2013
- Evidence of the potential for teaching excellence at the university level
- Evidence of the potential to make a scholarly contribution in area of specialization
- A personal commitment to the Christian faith, to the integration of faith and learning, to the flourishing of both global and local church, and to service to the Christian community
- The ability and desire to establish a positive relationship with persons regardless of race, gender, physical limitation or religious belief
- A commitment to equal opportunity; and a commitment to the educational mission of Whitworth University as a Christian liberal arts college affiliated with the Presbyterian Church (USA)
• Background check and educational verification required

APPLICATION PROCESS:
Please submit the following required application documents:
1. A letter of interest
2. Résumé/curriculum vitae
3. A list of names, addresses, telephone numbers, and e-mail addresses of three references
4. Three letters of recommendation
5. Graduate and undergraduate transcripts (may be unofficial at this time)
6. Three recent sets of student course evaluations (if available)
7. Two recent syllabi (preferably from different courses)
8. Brief writing sample indicative of area of scholarship
9. A short personal essay (approximately 300 words) describing your personal Christian faith. This essay about your Christian commitment is intended to be a personal, authentic statement in your own words that will help the committee to determine your interest in joining Whitworth's "community of Christian scholars." (See HR link on Whitworth website for faculty faith essay guidelines www.whitworth.edu/facultyfaithessay)

Human Resource Services, Auld House
Attn: Chair, English Faculty Search Committee
Whitworth University
Spokane, WA 99251

Or by email attachment (preferably in MSWord format) to jobs@whitworth.edu

Whitworth complies with all federal, state, and local nondiscrimination laws that are applicable to religious nonprofit institutions and does not engage in unlawful discrimination on the basis of race, color, national origin, age, sex, or disability. With our commitment to building a diverse community, the university encourages applications from populations underrepresented at Whitworth including members of racial/ethnic communities, women, and persons with disabilities.