ASSISTANT PROFESSOR OF GRAPHIC DESIGN
COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES
ART DEPARTMENT
TENURE TRACK

Application review begins October 15, 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 Art 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.

Whitworth’s Art Department is committed to excellent teaching, providing students with a rigorous intellectual environment. Students gain knowledge and skills that support their creative process in the visual arts. Art core courses provide the foundation in artistic form and content. Upper division offerings expand each student’s artistic vision and conceptual foundation for content in their work. Courses encourage lifelong learning and a passion for making and understanding art.

Graphic Design is currently a track within the Art Major. In addition to graphic design courses, Graphic Design students complete art core courses including drawing, 2-D and 3-D design, two art seminars, three art history courses, and participate in junior and senior exhibitions.

RESPONSIBILITIES AND DUTIES:
The Assistant Professor of Graphic Design will teach 21 credit hours (approximately 7 courses) per year within the Art Department. The primary duties will encompass coursework in graphic design, digital photography, and web design. Potential courses include: Digital Imaging, Typography, Web Design, Photoshop/Adobe Suite, Digital Photography, and/or other area of specialty. Along with teaching, the professor will lead and oversee the Graphic Design track, serve as mentor and advisor to students; engage in research and creation within graphic design and related fields, participate in departmental activities and governance including faculty assemblies, retreats, and committee work.

QUALIFICATIONS, SKILLS AND ABILITIES:
• M.F.A. in graphic design or related field.
• Demonstrated interest and effectiveness in college-level teaching, possessing strong relational skills with students and colleagues.
• Evidence of scholarly activity and/or current practice in the field of graphic design.
• Personal commitment to the Christian faith and to the integration of faith and learning.
• Ability to effectively communicate in English.
• Ability and desire to establish relationships with persons regardless of race, gender, physical limitation or religious belief.
• Must meet eligibility requirements to work in the United States by the time the appointment is scheduled to begin.
• A commitment to the educational mission of Whitworth as a Christian liberal arts university affiliated with the Presbyterian Church (USA).
• Background check required.

APPLICATION PROCESS:
Please submit the following required application documents to the address listed below:

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. Graduate and undergraduate transcripts (may be unofficial)
5. Three recent student course evaluations (if available)
6. Portfolio.
   • Include 20 samples of personal work (in PDF format) and an annotated index of works stating the media, design objectives, and date.
   • Include 20 samples of student work (in PDF format) and an annotated index of works stating the media, design objectives, and date, if available.
   • Please name files using the following format:
     “lastname_personalwork.pdf”
     “lastname_studentwork.pdf”
     “lastname_applicationdocs.pdf” (for the other application materials listed above)
7. 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, Art 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.