ASSISTANT PROFESSOR OF ENGLISH
COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES
ENGLISH DEPARTMENT
TENURE TRACK

Application review begins immediately and will continue until position is filled. Full consideration is guaranteed for applications received by Oct. 31. Preliminary interviews (via Skype) anticipated for late-November/December 2017. Start date: July 2018.

Founded in 1890, Whitworth University 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 includes eleven full time faculty members. We offer major programs in literature, writing studies, and education, along with a number of minors, including Film and Visual Narrative, Editing and Publishing, Medieval and Early Modern Studies, and TESOL. We also support the university's interdisciplinary minors in U.S. Cultural Studies and Women's and Gender Studies. The department is home to the national literary magazine Rock & Sling. The department is also home to 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 seeking a tenure-line Assistant Professor of English to teach courses in medieval and early modern British literature. Interest in and preparation for teaching classical literatures in translation and/or global literatures very welcome. Successful applicant will teach first-year composition, upper-division seminars in area of specialization, survey of British Literature Before 1800, Shakespeare, and lower-division literature courses appropriate to preparation, likely focused on voices from under-represented groups. Successful applicant will help shape our existing Medieval and Early Modern Studies minor (housed in English and History). May be called on to teach in Whitworth’s Core/Worldview Studies program. Teaching normally 3-1-3 (3 in regular semesters and 1 during a shortened January term). Favorable faculty-student ratio. All faculty members produce scholarship and participate in advising (including freshman advising) and departmental/university service. ABD applicants welcome.

Qualifications, Skills and Abilities
- Ph.D. or ABD in English or related field.
- 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 the church, and to service to the Christian community.
- Demonstrated awareness of and commitment to effectively establishing relationships and positive communications across multiple dimensions of diversity including, but not limited to, race, gender, physical limitations, class, or religious perspectives.
Commitment to diversity and equity, and understanding of ways in which instruction and
disciplinary/educational/workplace trends can be critical to matters of justice and inclusion.
A commitment to equal opportunity, and a commitment to the educational mission of Whitworth
University as a Christian liberal arts university affiliated with the Presbyterian church.
Employment offer is contingent on a successful background check, including education
verification.

Application Process
The following documents are required to complete the online application, www.whitworth.edu/jobs
1. A letter of interest.
2. Résumé/curriculum vitae.
3. A brief (approximately 15 pages) writing sample indicative of area of scholarship.
4. A short personal essay characterizing your Christian faith. (For expanded guidelines, please see
   www.whitworth.edu/facultyfaithessay.)
5. Names, addresses, telephone numbers, and e-mail addresses for three references.
6. Three letters of recommendation sent directly by recommenders or a third-part service such as
   Interfolio. (Letters may be emailed directly to Human Resources: eforman@whitworth.edu.)

Please direct questions about the application process to Human Resources (eforman@whitworth.edu).
Please direct questions about the position to the search committee chair, Dr. Fred Johnson at
fjohnson@whitworth.edu.

About the Spokane Area
Spokane, Washington, with a population of about 200,000 is located on the Spokane River west of the
Rocky Mountain foothills in eastern Washington State. The region enjoys four seasons with the
associated outdoor activities (mountain biking, climbing, swimming, boating, snowmobiling, skiing,
etc.). Spokane is within 4-5 hours of three major national parks (Mt Rainier, North Cascades, Glacier)
and the Canadian Rockies. The city of Spokane is large enough to have a thriving downtown area with
a riverfront park and a strong arts culture, yet small enough to be free of the heavy traffic of a larger
city. Whitworth is close to the Mead school district, which is one of the top elementary school districts
in the nation. In addition, Spokane has excellent health care facilities, and other top educational
institutions are located nearby. For more information on Spokane please visit
http://www.movetospokane.com/

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.