

Tenure-Track Assistant Professor of Philosophy

Join a vibrant campus community whose excellence is reflected in its diversity and student success. West Chester University is seeking applicants for the position of Assistant Professor of Philosophy, tenure-track position, to begin August 2016. AOS: African-American or Africana Philosophy; AOC: Open. Normal teaching load 12 hrs/semester. The Department awards both BA and MA degrees in Philosophy, BA degrees in Religious Studies, and Graduate Certificate Programs in Applied Ethics. The department houses the Peace and Conflict Studies minor program and the College of Arts and Sciences offers teaching opportunities in the Honors College and in Women's and Gender Studies. The University is also home to the Frederick Douglass Institute.

Minimum Qualifications: Evidence of scholarly aptitude and earned Ph.D. in Philosophy; completion of the Ph.D. required by August 30, 2016. AOS: African-American or Africana Philosophy; AOC: Open.

Criteria for Preference: The successful candidate should demonstrate the ability to contribute toward our General Education program by teaching introductory courses in Philosophy, Ethics, and/or Existentialism, as well as upper division and graduate courses related to the AOS. Preference will be given to the candidate who demonstrates the ability to include diversity, postcolonial studies, interdisciplinarity, and social justice issues in their syllabi. Undergraduate education is the department's primary mission and candidates must have a demonstrated ability to teach diverse students with varied learning styles. Preference will also be given to candidates who could contribute in some way to one or more of the programs mentioned above which are housed in the department and the College of Arts and Sciences. The Philosophy Department is committed to the notion of shared governance, so candidates with demonstrated administrative aptitude will be strongly preferred.

In order to be considered a finalist, applicants must successfully complete an on-campus interview, which includes both a teaching demonstration and a scholarly presentation. The filling of this position is contingent upon available funding. All offers of employment are subject to and contingent upon satisfactory completion of all pre-employment criminal background checks.

To Apply: Submit application materials online at the WCU Employment website: <http://agency.governmentjobs.com/wcupa/default.cfm>. Please submit complete dossier including CV; writing sample; graduate transcripts; evidence of effective teaching (esp. formal teaching evaluations); e-mail addresses of at least three references who will submit letters of recommendation; and at least two course syllabi, one for a graduate level Africana or African-American Philosophy course (choice of topic is open), and one or more for an introductory philosophy course (Intro to Ethics, Intro to Existentialism or Intro to Philosophy). Please have your three references send letters electronically to: SEARCH-PHI@wcupa.edu. The Screening Committee will begin evaluating applications on November 1.

West Chester University of Pennsylvania, a member of the Pennsylvania State system of Higher Education, continues to build a culturally diverse, broadly trained faculty capable of fostering an inclusive environment which is necessary to help prepare our students for the future. West Chester, located 25 miles west of Philadelphia, is convenient to major cultural and commercial institutions, recreational activities, and is within driving distance of Wilmington, DE, NYC, and Washington, DC. Salary and benefits competitive. The University is an equal opportunity, affirmative action employer encouraging diversity. Women, minorities, veterans, and persons with disabilities are encouraged to apply.