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We are currently looking for full-time tenured/tenure-track and visiting faculty in the following disciplines:

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- Design
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- Music
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- Theatre

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School of Fine and Performing Arts
Design Department
Graphic Design

*Columbia College Chicago actively promotes diversity, equity, and inclusion as vitally important to its present and future success. These principles are essential to the educational experiences of our students, staff, and faculty.*

The Design Department of Columbia College Chicago seeks applicants for a **full-time tenure-track or tenured faculty** position in Graphic Design beginning August 2020.

As an institution focusing on the arts, media, and communication, Columbia College Chicago is a leader in design education. The Design Department is a growing department with approximately 700 student majors, 15 full time faculty, over 30 adjunct faculty, and 15 staff. The Department offers undergraduate degrees in Graphic Design (with emphasis in publication or web design,) Illustration, and Interior Architecture. The department sees a future of connections between the design disciplines, practices, and pedagogies across the college through collaborations amongst Fashion Studies, Interactive Arts and Media, Design Management, Photography, Animation, Communications, Art and Art History, and Civic Media.

The primary responsibility of this position is to teach across the curriculum in the undergraduate Graphic Design program, and act as an instigator of design aided investigation and experimentation. The ideal candidate’s research and practice will span the broad spectrum of contemporary communication design and user experience, accessing spaces from print to public to screen-based; and should involve concerns such as collaboration and human centric co-creation, inclusion and accessibility, social and economic issues in production and consumption, visual narrative, informational and interpretive strategies; and a history of amplifying under represented voices. In addition to expertise in their field, successful candidates must exhibit excellent teaching and scholarly credentials and be passionate about undergraduate education.

The School of Fine and Performing Arts (SFPA) houses academic programs in visual arts, performing arts, business, and marketing. Home to more than 110 full-time faculty and nearly 3,500 students, the SFPA community is deeply committed to rigorous exploration of a wide range of artistic practices and economies, with strong focus on a diversity of contemporary styles and current industry trends. Across SFPA, we challenge the next generation of artists, scholars, managers, performers, designers, makers, and entrepreneurs to master the skills and interrogate the foundations of their creative disciplines; imagine new futures; and contribute to the vibrant arts communities of Chicago and beyond.

**Duties & Responsibilities**
- Teach at the undergraduate level in areas assigned by the Department Chair.
- Engage with the broader scholarly and professional communities.
- Supervise, advise and mentor students.
- Contribute to the development, planning and implementation of a high-quality, inclusive curriculum consistent with the Columbia College Chicago commitment to equity and social justice.
Commit to continuing professional development.
Provide service to the college, profession and community.
Actively follow and promote Columbia College Chicago policies.

We seek individuals with a demonstrated ability to work with students from a wide range of social and cultural backgrounds, and whose creative, scholarly and/or professional work aligns with our commitment to dismantling systems of privilege and oppression. All faculty members are expected to advance the College’s DEI mission. For more information on the office of Academic Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion please visit: colum.edu/diversity.

Required Qualifications
• MFA, MDes, PhD in Design or other terminal degree in applicable field.

Desired Qualifications
• Experience with and evidence of commitment to the development of inclusive curriculum consistent with the Columbia College Chicago commitment to equity and social justice.
• A proven ability to drive systemic change through the creation of impact communities and creative coalitions.
• A minimum of 1-3 years teaching experience at the college level (full time preferred.)
• A significant record of accomplishment and well-established practice within the broadly defined field of Graphic Design

Application
To apply for this position, submit the following materials online:
• A cover letter outlining the applicant’s background, qualifications, and interest in the position.
• A curriculum vitae.
• Portfolio of professional work (up to 20 images)
• Contact information for three references. References will not be contacted without prior consultation with the applicant.
• Research philosophy statement (approx. 500 words)
• Teaching philosophy statement (approx. 500 words)

Review of applications will begin immediately and continue until the position is filled.

This job description is not designed to cover or contain a comprehensive listing of activities, duties, or responsibilities required of the employee and is subject to change based on the needs of the department and/or college.

About the College
Columbia College Chicago is a private not-for-profit college for creatives serving nearly 7,000 undergraduate and graduate students. Columbia College is accredited by The Higher Learning
Commission. Located in downtown Chicago’s South Loop, the College is centered in one of the world’s most lively urban cultural areas. Its many competitive advantages include its strong reputation in the creative industries, outstanding faculty and passionate students, impressive technological and physical resources, and a sincere commitment to bringing diverse voices and experiences into proximity with each other to shape new forms of creative practice.

At Columbia, we offer a rewarding work environment for our faculty and staff. We take pride in offering competitive benefits with affordable health, dental and vision coverage; flexible spending accounts; commuter benefit program, life and accidental, death & dismemberment coverage; paid and unpaid leave options; work/life benefits; educational assistance programs; and retirement and financial planning benefits.

We invite you to join our talented faculty and staff and become part of our collective aspiration to ensure Columbia prepares students for success in their creative fields through innovation, engagement and real-world experiences.

Additional Information
Position subject to a background screening.
This is a non-union position.
This position is overtime exempt.

Columbia College Chicago is an equal opportunity employer and complies with all local, state, and federal laws and regulations concerning civil rights. The college does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, national or ethnic origin, age, disability, protected veteran status, genetic information, or other protected classes under the law.

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