

Position Description for Merchandising and Design Tenure Track Search

School of Human Ecology College of Agriculture and Human Ecology Tennessee Technological University

Position Title: Assistant Professor in Merchandising and Design

Full-time, nine-month, tenure-track position to begin January 1, 2017 or August 1, 2017

Position Summary: This position is in the School of Human Ecology at Tennessee Technological University (TTU); one of two schools within the College of Agriculture and Human Ecology. TTU has an undergraduate enrollment of 11,000+ and is located in the beautiful Upper Cumberland region of Tennessee, centrally located between Nashville and Knoxville. The School of Human Ecology seeks a faculty member with expertise to teach undergraduate courses in Social/Psychology of Dress, Merchandising, Promotion and Advertising, and other Merchandising and Design related courses. The successful candidate will have a broad range of teaching experiences at the college level, as well as evidence of scholarship and potential for success in research, grant writing, and outreach. Additional responsibilities include, but are not limited to: productive participation on departmental, college, and university committees; advising undergraduate students and mentoring the Merchandising Student Association; developing and maintaining partnerships with industry professionals; arranging and conducting study tours; curriculum development; and holding regular office hours.

Qualifications: Required: Ph.D. from an accredited institution at time of appointment in merchandising and design, retailing, textiles or related field. ABD will be considered if degree is awarded within 6 months of hire date. Oral and written communication skills in the English language at a level appropriate to convey information to and from students, colleagues and others in a clear manner. Knowledge of curriculum design, experience with various instructional methods including online course delivery, and assessment of learning. Preferred: Teaching experience and professional experience in merchandising and design with expertise to teach across a range of content areas, including Textiles or Apparel Design within this discipline. Active participation in relevant academic or professional organizations. Demonstrated record of scholarship.

Salary & Benefits: Commensurate with qualifications and experience. Benefits include the accumulation of one sick leave day per month and thirteen University holidays. Other benefits include medical and life insurance (shared cost with the university), retirement, optional 401k, and educational benefits. Deferred income and benefits over 12 months.

Application Procedures: Applicants will be required to apply online at <https://jobs.tntech.edu> and electronically upload a cover letter, curriculum vitae, teaching philosophy, copy of transcripts (official transcripts for all degrees conferred required upon hire), and email contact information for three references who will be contacted via email to provide a reference letter. Submission of materials is the applicant's responsibility. Applications without all required materials are incomplete and will not be considered.

Application Screening Date: November 4, 2016

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