



College of Family and Consumer Sciences

Textiles, Merchandising & Interiors

UNIVERSITY OF GEORGIA

**The University of Georgia
College of Family and Consumer Sciences
Department of Textiles, Merchandising and Interiors**

Assistant Professor of Merchandising

POSITION: Assistant Professor of Merchandising, Department of Textiles, Merchandising and Interiors in the College of Family and Consumer Sciences (9 months, tenure-track appointment).

START DATE: August 2017

QUALIFICATIONS: Ph.D. in Apparel and Textiles or related field

PREFERRED QUALIFICATIONS: Minimum of one year practice or industry experience in the apparel and textile industry; prior teaching experience at the university level; familiarity with industry-specific software and cutting-edge technological applications.

RESPONSIBILITIES: Research, Instruction (4 classes per year) and Service. The candidate should be able to teach undergraduate and graduate classes and direct graduate research. The potential for research scholarship must be demonstrated and obtaining external funding in support of research or teaching is expected. The successful applicant is required to teach and develop innovative courses in two or more of the following areas: global apparel supply chain management, apparel manufacturing, international merchandising, and product development. The applicant is expected to participate in interdisciplinary collaborations with University of Georgia faculty and industry.

The Department of Textiles, Merchandising and Interiors is a growing unit of the College of Family and Consumer Sciences at the University of Georgia. The department has 15 faculty, 250 undergraduates majoring in Fashion Merchandising and Furnishings and Interiors, and 23 graduate students. The department is a member of the National Retail Federation and endorsed by the American Apparel and Footwear Association. The Georgia Soft Goods Education Foundation, a board of industry professionals, provides guidance to the curriculum and scholarships for students. The graduate programs lead to a Master of Science in Textiles, Merchandising and Interiors and a Ph.D. in Polymer, Fibers, and Textile Sciences and Ph.D. emphasis in International Merchandising. UGA is a member of Advanced Functional Fabric of America (AFFOA) Innovation Manufacturing Institute. It is the department's expectation that the new faculty will engage with the Institute to participate in our strategic plans to revitalize the textile industry and sustain job growth in America. More information about the Department and College can be found at www.fcs.uga.edu/tmi.



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The University of Georgia, located in Athens, is a Research I, land-grant/sea-grant institution in the University System of Georgia. Founded in 1785, the University of Georgia is the largest and most comprehensive educational institution in the state. The campus and community of Athens offers many cultural and recreational opportunities. UGA has approximately 36,000 undergraduate and graduate students and has been ranked by U.S. News and World Report as one of the top 25 public institutions of higher education in the United States. The Athens campus is approximately 75 miles northeast of Atlanta, 60 miles from the Blue Ridge Mountains and 195 miles from the coast. Athens fosters a rich cultural environment interconnected with the university and is perennially identified as one of America's most livable cities. Visit the University's website at <http://www.uga.edu> for additional information.

PROCEDURE: The application packet should include: (1) cover letter of interest that addresses how credentials and experience meet the qualifications of the position, (2) curriculum vitae, (3) statement of research area and goals; teaching plans and teaching philosophy (no more than 6 pages), (4) contact information for at least three references.

Candidates should submit their application materials online via FacultyJobs@UGA <http://facultyjobs.uga.edu/postings/1532>. Direct additional questions about the position to Dr. Yoo-Kyoung Seock, search committee chair (yseock@fcs.uga.edu).

Deadline for applications is January 6, 2017. Review of applications will continue until the position is filled.

The college welcomes applications and nominations of minorities and others who share our passion about and reflect our desire to support a culture of diversity and inclusion. The University of Georgia is an Equal Opportunity/Affirmative Action employer. All qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation and gender identity, national origin, disability, or protected veteran status.