

**Assistant Professor: Fashion Merchandising and Design
Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University
College of Liberal Arts and Human Sciences
Department of Apparel, Housing, and Resource Management**

We are seeking an academic year, tenure-track assistant professor with expertise in international merchandising and fashion business development and analysis. Applicants must have an earned doctorate in an apparel related field by position start date. The starting date is August 10, 2017. Review of applications will begin January 16, 2017. The review will continue until a suitable candidate is appointed from a diverse pool of applicants. Salary is dependent on qualifications.

Responsibilities include:

- Develop a research or creative scholarship program of excellence that includes grant writing for funding, scholarly presentations, and publications appropriate for a research university.
- Teach undergraduate courses in possible combinations of fashion buying and sourcing, international merchandising, business analytics and on-line business development technologies, introduction to the fashion industry.
- Contribute to teaching excellence with the expected/standard teaching load of two/two courses per academic year.
- Contribute to the apparel program by networking with industry for internships, employment, and professional development opportunities for students.
- Advise students on curriculum and career decisions.
- Participate in interdisciplinary work and university-industry partnerships.
- Participate in university service and professional organizations.

Qualifications include:

Required:

- Doctoral degree by August 10, 2017, in an apparel related field
- Demonstrated potential for effective teaching, scholarship productivity, and grant funding
- Knowledge of software and analytical skills pertinent to the fashion industry
- Occasional travel to attend professional conferences and meetings; and successful criminal background check

Preferred:

- College teaching and/or fashion industry experience
- Successful grant writing experience
- Experience working with Adobe Creative Suite and business software such as Advance Excel
- Productivity in research and publications in peer-reviewed journals
- Experience with cross disciplinary collaboration within a multicultural environment.

To Apply:

To apply, go to <http://www.jobs.vt.edu>, posting TR0160136 and complete the on-line application. You will be asked to supply brief demographic information and to upload a cover letter (describing qualifications and relevant experience in teaching and research or creative scholarship), your vita, and provide contact information for three (3) references.

If you have specific questions about the position, please contact Dr. LuAnn Gaskill, Chair, Search Committee, at 540-231-8520 or lagaskil@vt.edu. If you are an individual with a disability and desire accommodation, please contact Dianna Givens at 540-231-6164 or diannam@vt.edu.

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