



LECTURER

Department of English Language and Literature

FACULTY OF HUMANITIES

The Department of English Language and Literature has an opening for a new position to be appointed as soon as possible. We invite applications for appointment to a full time, permanent (tenure track) position at Lecturer level.

The English Department is home to a wide range of creative and critical engagements in literary and cultural studies. Concerned with the global, the local and the decolonial, our curriculum centralises South African and African literatures while remaining in constant dialogue with international intellectual traditions, asking what it means to read canonical and world literatures from the South. The Department aims to deliver excellent, rich, and supportive undergraduate teaching that is responsive to historical context, and to strengthen and diversify our graduate programme. We also seek to strengthen our thriving research culture and to continue to build a profile as a leading centre of South African, African, and diasporic literary and cultural studies.

For this new position, we seek in particular applicants with research and teaching expertise that will help the Department to expand its competencies in global literary studies of the *longue durée*, deepening its historical and geographical reach through a focus on literatures and archives from a range of centres of cultural production. We seek candidates whose scholarship engages with current debates relating to migration, diaspora and transnationalisms across a range of contexts. For example, we are especially interested in literatures from across the Arabic, Maghreb and Mediterranean worlds, the Caribbean, Latin America, South East Asia, the Indian Ocean world and East African littoral. We are interested in literatures in translation, and in a range of representational forms, including visual literatures and signifying systems.

Candidates will be asked to identify primary and secondary teaching and research interests that speak to the needs of the department.

Requirements:

- A completed PhD Degree, or under exceptional circumstances a PhD that is soon to be completed, with disciplinary experience in global literary studies and world literatures from the South, as outlined above, and the theoretical and historical competencies to support the research.
- The ability to contribute to teaching across a broad range of literary and cultural studies in English, as well as within their areas of specialization.

Evidence of the following will be an advantage:

- A research and publication record.
- Experience of teaching at undergraduate level and, commensurate with level experience, of supervision at postgraduate level.
- Experience of departmental administration/management, or management of projects, or tutor-team building.
- A strong willingness to contribute to strengthening support for students at both undergraduate and postgraduate level, and to creating an intellectual climate in which research, teaching, and debate are able to flourish.

Responsibilities:

- Teaching at both undergraduate and postgraduate levels.
- Supervision of Honours, MA and PhD dissertations.
- Contributing to the Department's research and publication output.
- Contributing to departmental and faculty administration and leadership.
- Social responsiveness/public engagement.

The annual remuneration package, including benefits, is as follows:

- **Lecturer:** R639 848

Appointment will take place in alignment with the Faculty's expectations for performance at each rank.

To apply, please e-mail the below documents in a **single pdf file** to recruitment02@uct.ac.za:

- UCT Application Form (download at <http://forms.uct.ac.za/hr201.doc>)
- Cover letter, and
- Curriculum Vitae (CV)

Please ensure the title and reference number are indicated in the subject line.

An application which does not comply with the above requirements will be regarded as incomplete. Only shortlisted candidates will be contacted and may be required to undergo a competency test.

Telephone: 021 650 2163
Reference number: E18431

Website: www.humanities.uct.ac.za
Closing date: 10 December 2018

UCT is committed to the pursuit of excellence, diversity and redress in achieving its equity targets. Our Employment Equity Policy is available at <http://www.uct.ac.za/downloads/uct.ac.za/about/policies/eepolicy.pdf>. For this post we seek particularly to attract black South African candidates.

UCT reserves the right not to appoint.