



LECTURER

Department of English Literary Studies

Faculty of Humanities

The Department of English Literary Studies has an opening for a new position. We invite applications for appointment to a full-time, permanent (tenure track) position at Lecturer level, to be appointed from March 2021, or soon thereafter.

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 global intellectual traditions, with emphasis on literary and epistemological interventions from the global South. The Department aims to deliver excellent, rich, and supportive undergraduate teaching that is responsive to historical contexts, 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 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 Africa. We are interested in world literatures, including literatures in translation, and in a range of representational forms, including visual literatures and signifying systems. We would welcome applicants with expertise in critical theory and creative practice.

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

Requirements:

- A PhD, 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 teach across a broad range of literary and cultural studies in English, as well as within identified areas of primary and secondary specializations.
- Experience of teaching at undergraduate level.
- Evidence of a research and publication record.

Evidence of the following will be an advantage:

- Experience of teaching and 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.
- Evidence of participation in global scholarly networks.

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.
- Course convening.
- Social responsiveness/public engagement.

The annual cost of employment for 2020 at lecturer level, including benefits is **R 730 510**



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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
- 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.

Telephone: 021 650 2163

Website: www.hr.uct.ac.za

Reference number: E200364

Closing date: 12th February 2021

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“In accordance with the Employment Equity Plan of the University and its Employment Equity goals and targets, preference will be given to candidates from the under-represented designated groups.”

UCT reserves the right not to appoint.