



POSITION ANNOUNCEMENT

Assistant Professor, Art History of Africa and the African Diaspora

POSITION: Full-time, tenure track appointment in Art History at the rank of assistant professor.

PERIOD: Starting August 2010

RESPONSIBILITIES: Teach three undergraduate art history courses per semester. The course load will consist of global art history surveys (Prehistoric to Medieval and/or Renaissance to Modern), surveys of the art of Africa and the African Diaspora, and advanced topical seminars. Other duties include academic advising, curriculum development, participation in Africana Studies, participation in the graduate program, maintenance of an active scholarly and creative record, and university service as it may contribute to the mission of the institution. JMU is an Affirmative Action/Equal Access employer. We seek candidates who will contribute to the climate and body of diversity in the school and the development of the College of Visual and Performing Arts. The School of Art and Art History strives to create an educational environment in which students and faculty facilitate constructive dialogue in the classroom and community to inspire responsible citizenship in a diverse world.

QUALIFICATIONS: Ph.D. in African or African Diaspora art history, or African Studies with a concentration in art history. Salary commensurate with qualifications and experience.

INSTITUTION: James Madison University is a selective admission, major comprehensive state institution employing approximately 3000 full-time faculty and staff serving 18,000 undergraduate and graduate students. JMU's 614-acre campus is located in the scenic Shenandoah Valley and enjoys easy access to Charlottesville, Washington, D.C., Baltimore and Richmond. The School of Art and Art History is a NASAD accredited program within a College of Visual and Performing Arts, and employs more than 30 full-time faculty and staff serving approximately 700 majors (of which 60 are art history majors & minors) enrolled in B.A., B.S., B.F.A., M.A., and M.F.A. degree programs. The Madison Art Collection includes significant holdings in African Art, which are available to students and faculty as a study collection. For more information see <http://www.jmu.edu/artandarthistory> and <http://jmu.edu/madisonart>. As part of its extensive offerings in overseas study, JMU operates summer programs in Ghana and Kenya. JMU has also developed the Madison Digital Image Database, an online image database and multimedia instructional system designed to create and show Internet-based lectures using digitized images. For more information see <http://www.jmu.edu/artandarthistory>.

TO APPLY: PART 1: Log on to joblink.jmu.edu and complete a faculty application. On your JobLink application, please attach your letter of application, CV, writing sample, and list of at least three references with full contact information. *Your candidacy is not active until this step is complete.*

PART 2: Please arrange to have three letters of recommendation and your official transcripts sent directly to: Art History Search Committee Chair, JMU School of Art and Art History, 800 S. Main Street, MSC 7101, Harrisonburg, VA 22807. Screening of applicants begins October 28, 2009 and will continue until position is filled. AA/EO employer.