

Assistant Professor, Art History and Fine Arts, American University of Paris

Paris, France, Aug 01, 2024

Application deadline: Dec 1, 2023

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Faculty Search AY 2023-24: Art History – Specialist in a non-European field

Assistant Professor in Art History

The American University of Paris invites applications for a full-time position in the Department of Art History and Fine Arts at the rank of Assistant Professor, to begin August 1, 2024.

The Department seeks a candidate who works on a period pre-1900 and specializes in a geographic region outside Europe such as Asia, Africa, the Middle East, colonial Latin America, or the Indigenous arts of the Americas or Oceania. The ability to teach in more than one geographic area is desirable. Art historians with a disciplinary interest in anthropology, architecture, and/or material culture are especially welcome to apply.

The successful candidate will demonstrate their commitment to a liberal arts education, to diversity, equity, and inclusion in teaching, and to transcultural, global approaches to the field of art history. The applicant's research and teaching would complement current departmental expertise and contribute to the Department's efforts in diversifying the curriculum and expanding the geographic scope of the program. We seek a scholar who would teach introductory undergraduate courses from a global perspective, as well as mid- to upper-level classes in their area(s) of expertise. The standard teaching load is 3/3. Candidates who plan to make use of the collections, museums, and architecture of Paris in their teaching while addressing issues of colonialism and cultural heritage are especially encouraged to apply.

The University is an equal opportunity employer for whom diversity is an essential source of vitality and strength. Applications are encouraged from women, minorities, persons with disabilities, and first-generation college graduates.

Qualifications: Ph.D. in Art History in hand. Proven capacity for engaged teaching, research potential, and willingness to participate in curricular development and service to the department and the university. Familiarity with liberal arts education, learning objectives, skill development and assessment is highly desirable. Capacity to work in a multi-cultural environment a strong plus. European Union citizenship or the legal right to work in France is helpful, but not necessary at the time of application.

The Institution: Founded in 1962, The American University of Paris (AUP) is a private, four-year liberal arts research university whose language of instruction is English. AUP brings together the values of the American higher education system with its location in Paris and Europe. AUP is accredited in the United States of America by the Commission on Higher Education of the Middle States Association of Colleges and Schools. AUP has cooperative agreements with the University of Southern California, George Washington University, Northeastern University, and other USA-based universities.

The Department: The Department of Art History and Fine Arts consists of an Art History major and a Fine Arts major. We also house minors in Art History, Fine Arts and Visual Culture. The Art History program offers an in-depth, critical study of visual and material culture from the ancient to the modern period. Students learn how to interpret works of art, read major theoretical texts, and explore the relationships between visual culture and society. Through visual literacy, students likewise approach broader, interdisciplinary questions relating to race, class, power, gender and sexuality. Our small class sizes allow students to engage in intellectual debate and discussion. Outside of the classroom, students benefit from unparalleled opportunities to study art history in Paris's museums and monuments, as well as through study trips led by professors both within France and beyond. <https://www.aup.edu/academics/undergraduate/majors/art-history>

Responsibilities:

- The standard teaching load is 3/3 courses per academic year
- Commitment to scholarship, excellence in teaching, and integrative learning
- Service to the department, including curricular development and innovation, advising students
- Willingness to provide service to the university and participation in faculty governance
- Working in a professional and collegial manner with the university community
- Maintaining compliance with policies and procedures in the Faculty Manual

Application Instructions: Please submit your application to <http://apply.interfolio.com/131750> including:

- Cover letter
- Curriculum vitae
- Statement of pedagogical philosophy with a diversity statement and evidence of teaching effectiveness
- One or two sample course syllabi
- Statement of research interests
- One or two writing samples of recent scholarship
- Three confidential letters of reference

Applications should be received by December 1, 2023 for full consideration.

Reference:

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