

Assistant/Associate Professor of Art History, Winthrop University

Winthrop University, Rock Hill, SC, Aug 16, 2027

Application deadline: Nov 15, 2026

Dr. Kyle Sweeney

The Department of Fine Arts at Winthrop University invites applications for a tenure-track Assistant/Associate Professor of Art History and Museum Professions. The successful candidate will have teaching and research experience in global arts and visual culture (1500-1900). While the cultural/geographic area is open, preference will be given to scholar-teachers specializing in African and/or African Diaspora art histories. We seek a scholar whose work engages visual and material culture broadly defined. We particularly welcome applicants who can contribute a secondary teaching field in museum and curatorial studies.

The successful candidate will demonstrate a commitment to excellent undergraduate teaching, an active scholarly agenda, and collaborative participation in the intellectual and curricular life of the department and university. Major responsibilities include:

- Teaching 12 credits/contact hours per semester, including:
introductory surveys of art history for both majors and non-majors
- intermediate undergraduate lecture courses and/or advanced seminars in global arts and visual culture in the candidate's area(s) of expertise
- intermediate/advanced undergraduate courses in museum studies
- Maintaining an active research agenda
- Advising and mentoring of art history and museum professions majors
- Contributing service at the department, college, and university levels, including participation in recruitment initiatives, program assessment and accreditation, and curriculum development.

Required Qualifications:

- Ph.D. in art history or a closely related field by the appointment date is required to be hired at the rank of Assistant/Associate Professor. ABD candidates may be considered and appointed at the rank of Instructor (non-tenure track) until the doctorate is completed.
- Specialization in global arts
- Record of excellence in teaching (required for associate rank and desired for assistant rank)
- Evidence of an active scholarly agenda (required for associate rank and foundation to develop record is required at the assistant rank)

Preferred Qualifications:

- Minimum of 1 year of university-level teaching experience as instructor of record
- Ability or interest in teaching Museums in Action: Curating, Community, and Careers and/or Art Museum and Gallery Practices

- Teaching or scholarship that contributes to interdisciplinary university initiatives, such as African-American Studies, the Winthrop University Center for the Environment, Digital/spatial Humanities, and/or Women's and Gender Studies

This is a full-time, tenure-track faculty appointment requiring daily on-campus contact. Salary is competitive and commensurate with rank. Instructional duties during the academic year (9 months, Aug. 16 – May 15) come with the option to teach during the summers for additional compensation.

Winthrop University is located in Rock Hill, South Carolina, just under 25 miles from Charlotte, North Carolina, one of the Southeast's largest metropolitan regions and home to a major international airport. Charlotte offers a vibrant cultural scene for art historians, including the Bechtler Museum of Modern Art and the Mint Museum, as well as opportunities for engagement with a thriving arts community.

Full consideration will be given to applications received on or before November 15, 2026. Applications received after the deadline may be considered if a suitable candidate has not been found.

References of semifinalists will be contacted by the committee after an initial screening. (The CV must include the names, phone numbers, and email addresses for three references.)

Questions about the position may be directed to Professor Karen Stock (stockk@winthrop.edu).

Reference:

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