

REVISED
UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, SANTA CRUZ
ART DEPARTMENT

Chair of the Art Department and Artist/Practitioner in Social Practice or Environmental Arts
Associate or Full Professor

The [Art Department](#) of the University of California, Santa Cruz invites applications for a chair of the department/tenured faculty position. The successful candidate will become a principle figure in our proposed MFA program in Social and Environmental Arts Practice. We are seeking an innovative arts practitioner with distinguished research in the field of social practice and/or environmental arts. This practicing artist/researcher should have a strong theoretical background in fields related to social practice or environmental arts, have a creative interest in digital/print/new media and engage in collaborative practice across the arts, humanities and sciences. Applicants from related fields such as design and architecture are also invited to apply.

The successful candidate will chair the Art Department, guide the innovative directions taking place in our newly redesigned undergraduate program, and teach in both graduate and undergraduate art programs. We seek an individual with vision to help us launch our graduate and redesigned undergraduate programs at this seminal time in our history. We seek candidates with university level teaching experience who are able to work with students, faculty and staff from a wide variety of social and cultural backgrounds, and are able to forge and maintain affiliations in related fields of study in other departments and schools on campus.

We are especially interested in candidates who can contribute to the diversity and excellence of the academic community through their research, teaching, and service. The campus currently operates on a schedule of three 11-week quarters per academic year. This position entails: teaching 5 five-unit courses per year, or their equivalent, in accordance with the department's workload policy; advising and mentoring students; actively engaging in research activity; and actively participating in administrative responsibilities for the department, affiliated college, and the campus.

RANK: Associate Professor to Full Professor

SALARY: Commensurate with qualifications and experience, and level of appointment

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS:

Terminal degree required (MFA or other). Solid understanding of scholarly theoretical research in the field of social practice and environmental arts. An established and rising practice-based research profile demonstrated through publications, exhibitions and research projects. Experience working with graduate students and graduate education in the arts.

PREFERRED QUALIFICATIONS: Ph.D.(practice or research based), demonstrated leadership experience in chairing a department/administration, and a high level of technical proficiency and knowledge of current new media, digital and/or print media.

POSITION AVAILABLE: July 1, 2012, with academic year commencing Fall 2012. Position is contingent upon final budgetary approval.

TO APPLY: Applicants should submit either digitally (preferred) or in hard copy: 1) a letter of application; 2) a curriculum vitae; 3) Up to ten jpg. images of own work. For time-based work, no more than 3 Quicktime clips, max 3 mins each. In combination no more than 10 submissions; 4) Up to ten jpg. images of student work. (All images should be submitted on a CD. Images, no larger than 2MB each. Please label and number in the order you wish them to be reviewed.); 5) Numbered image list with brief description of work. In case of collaborative work please clearly specify your role in each project; 6) Syllabi from courses previously taught; 7) Names of three confidential referees from whom the applicant has solicited letters of recommendation. Referees should send letters of recommendation directly to the Department. All letters will be treated as confidential. Please direct your referees to UCSC's confidentiality statement:

http://apo.ucsc.edu/academic_policies_and_procedures/cappm/confstm.htm ;

7) No more than 3 writing samples (optional); 8) A summary of past student evaluations is also desirable, if available. The committee may request additional information from applicants before deciding on those whom it wishes to interview. Applicants are encouraged to submit a statement addressing their contribution to diversity through their research, teaching, and/or service.

Enclose a self-addressed, stamped envelope if you desire writing samples returned at the end of this recruitment.

All materials should be sent to:
Artsearch2011@ucsc.edu or

Search Committee
Art Department
University of California
1156 High Street
Santa Cruz, CA 95064

Please refer to Search #621R-12 in your reply.

Questions regarding the department or position may be addressed to visart@ucsc.edu. Further information about the department is available at <http://art.ucsc.edu>

CLOSING DATE: Screening will begin with applications postmarked by **Monday January 2, 2012**. Position is open until filled, but not later than June 30, 2013.

UC Santa Cruz faculty make significant contributions to the body of research that has earned the University of California the ranking as the foremost public higher education institution in the world. In the process, our faculty demonstrate that cutting-edge research, excellent teaching and outstanding service are mutually supportive. The University of California, Santa Cruz is an Affirmative Action/Equal Employment Opportunity Employer, committed to excellence through diversity. We strive to establish a climate that welcomes, celebrates, and promotes respect for the contributions of all students and employees. Inquiries regarding the University's equal employment opportunity policies may be directed to: Office of Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion at the University of California, Santa Cruz, CA 95064; (831) 459-2686. Under Federal law, the University of California may employ only individuals who are legally able to work in the United States as established by providing documents as specified in the Immigration Reform and Control Act of 1986. Certain UCSC positions funded by federal contracts or sub-contracts require the selected candidate to pass an E-Verify check. More information is available [here](#) or from the Academic Personnel Office at (831) 459-5579.

If you need assistance due to a disability please contact the Academic Personnel Office at 499 Clark Kerr Hall (831) 459-5579. This position description is available in alternate formats, which may be requested from Academic Personnel at (831) 459-5579.

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