The University of Iowa Center for the Book (UICB) invites applications for a 50% faculty member in Papermaking, for a two-year, non-tenure track, Lecturer or Associate Professor of Instruction/Practice faculty position, beginning August 2020.

The UICB seeks a faculty member with a demonstrated expertise in papermaking and related processes to teach in our Book Arts Studio Area. The teaching load is 2:2 and includes introductory and upper-level graduate courses. Classes may include Islamic/Asian Papermaking; European Papermaking; Paperworks; Advanced Papermaking Production; Advanced Projects in Paper.

Additional responsibilities include: participate fully with student mentorship and studio oversight; oversee students and maintain the UICB Paper Research & Production Facility on the Oakdale Campus; collaborate with faculty colleagues on pedagogical aspects of the UICB curriculum; participate in service that contributes to the overall mission of the UICB.

The ideal candidate will have a strong conceptual, historical, and technical background in hand papermaking, and will be well-versed in a wide range of papermaking processes. They will be capable of teaching within and developing the current graduate curricula. The candidate’s record will show evidence of a promising program of creative development. To facilitate professional development, the Oakdale Papermaking Facility is also available to use for personal studio work.

This is a two-year, grant funded position with a possible extension contingent on funding. The UICB is committed to procuring the needed funding for this position; the stabilization of a faculty position in papermaking is a high priority.

Required Qualifications:

• An MFA in Book Arts, a terminal degree in a related field, or equivalent combination of education and experience
• Demonstrated teaching ability in the areas of hand papermaking or paperworks, including European and Asian/Islamic traditions
• Proficiency working with and maintaining papermaking equipment
• Ability to manage a student papermaking facility
• Ability to work with diverse constituencies
• An active professional/research/studio practice in hand papermaking or paperworks
• Excellent communication skills

Desired Qualifications:

• Proficiency with the Adobe Creative Suites
• Minimum of two years teaching experience at the college level and/or equivalent work experience or workshop teaching
• Ability to speak to a diversity of approaches in papermaking and paperworks
• Demonstrated proficiency using colorants; dimensional paper and paper casting; and surface manipulations such as: blow outs, resists, stencils

• Ability to teach in an additional book arts studio area: artist books, bookbinding, calligraphy, digital media, or letterpress

Salary range is $31,000 - $36,000 commensurate with experience and credentials, and includes a benefits package. Opportunities for summer teaching are available.

In 2016, the University of Iowa adopted a new policy governing the rights and responsibilities of Instructional Faculty, including the addition of promotion criteria and ranks. For more information about The University of Iowa Instructional Faculty policy: https://provost.uiowa.edu/instructional-faculty-track-appointments.

For more information on the Graduate College regarding Instructional Faculty Track policy, please see: https://www.grad.uiowa.edu/system/files/Instructional%20Faculty%20Policy%20Approved.pdf

The job description, and images of the papermaking facilities, may be found on the UI Center for the Book website: https://book.grad.uiowa.edu/papermaking-faculty-search

To apply for this position, please submit the following materials online at http://jobs.uiowa.edu, Requisition #73819:

• Letter of Intent
• CV
• Artist Statement
• sample syllabus (realized or speculative)
• digital portfolio with 10-20 images of recent work and description list
• Names and contact information for three professional references.

Finalists may be asked to submit additional materials.

Evaluation of applications will begin January 15, 2020 and continue until the position is filled. Informal queries may also be directed to center-for-the-book@uiowa.edu

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