

ILLINOIS STATE UNIVERSITY
NORMAL, ILLINOIS

Assistant/Associate Professor
Fashion Design and Merchandising
Department of Family and Consumer Sciences

The Department of Family and Consumer Sciences (FCS) is seeking team-oriented candidates for a tenure-track position at the rank of assistant/associate professor in Fashion Design and Merchandising beginning on **August 16, 2019**. The expected appointment is a 3/3 teaching load with expectations for scholarly activities leading to peer-reviewed outcomes as well as service to the Department, College, University and profession.

The Department of FCS is committed to increasing the diversity of the campus community. ISU recognizes that a diverse faculty, staff, and student body enriches the educational experiences of the entire campus and greater community. Candidates who can contribute to the climate of inclusivity are especially welcomed to apply. Veterans, persons with disabilities, and people of color are encouraged to apply.

QUALIFICATIONS

Required: Applicants must hold a doctoral degree in Apparel and Textiles or closely related field. Applicants with expected completion of their doctoral degree before May 1, 2020 will be considered. Candidates must demonstrate the potential to teach courses in fashion design and merchandising in one or more of the following areas: merchandising, textiles, and apparel construction. Applicants must also demonstrate a record of or potential for research and publication in scholarly peer-reviewed journals in the discipline. Candidates must be able to demonstrate oral proficiency in the English language, as mandated by state law. For consideration for appointment at the rank of associate professor, applicants must have an appropriate record of teaching excellence and scholarship.

Preferred: Previous teaching experience in fashion design and merchandising courses, industry experience, or current publication record. Active participation in relevant academic or professional organizations.

RESPONSIBILITIES

Teach undergraduate/graduate courses, develop a focused area of scholarship, advise graduate students, provide service to the University and profession, and supervise undergraduate and graduate professional practice students.

SALARY, RANK, AND TENURE

Salary is competitive and commensurate with professional experience and preparation. This is a tenure-track, nine-month position with potential for summer employment.

THE PROGRAM

Currently there are approximately 105 Fashion Design and Merchandising (FDM) undergraduate majors. FDM offers two areas of concentration for students, Fashion Merchandising and Fashion Design/Product Development. Courses are taught in all areas of merchandising and design through industry-level design studio and textile lab facilities, supported by a 2,000-piece historic costume collection. The highlight of each school year is the annual FDM-sponsored Illinois State University student-run fashion show of student designs. Students and faculty also have the opportunity to participate in domestic and international study tours.

THE DEPARTMENT

The Department of Family and Consumer Sciences is one of six departments and two schools in the College of Applied Science and Technology (www.cast.illinoisstate.edu). The Department is accredited by the American Association of Family and Consumer Sciences (AAFCS) and offers five professional undergraduate programs [Fashion Design and Merchandising; Food, Nutrition and Dietetics; Human Development and Family Science; Interior Design; and FCS Teacher Education]. The department also offers an accelerated master's program (combined bachelor's and master's) and a two-year comprehensive M.S./M.A. program, including a Dietetic Internship sequence and a Child Life option. The FCS Department houses four accredited programs including: undergraduate interior design (CIDA), undergraduate Teacher Education program (NCATE), undergraduate Didactic Program in Dietetics (ACEND), and a graduate Dietetic Internship (ACEND). The Department has approximately 560 undergraduate and 45 graduate students, 22 full-time and 6 part-time faculty, 1 full-time and 1 part-time academic advisor, 2 civil service personnel, and 4 academic professionals at an affiliated Child Care Center.

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A small-college experience with large-university opportunities.

Illinois State University (www.illinoisstate.edu) distinguishes itself from other institutions in the state and the region by providing a unique educational climate that adds a beneficial new dimension to the state's system of higher education. The first public university in Illinois, Illinois State University was founded in 1857. Today, we are a dynamic, fiscally sound university of close to 21,000 students offering more than 160 major/minor options in six colleges. In our most recent strategic plan *Educate · Connect · Elevate*, we have committed our resources to realizing seven core values: Learning and Scholarship, Diversity and Inclusion, Respect, Collaboration, Individualized Attention, Civic Engagement, and Integrity. By acting on these values, we believe we will create a learning environment that will result in our University being the first-choice public university in Illinois for high-achieving, motivated students who seek an individualized educational experience combined with the resources of a large university. For more information about Illinois State University, visit <http://illinoisstate.edu/pointsofpride/>. For the fourth year in a row, Illinois State University was named one of the "Great Colleges to Work For" according to a survey released by *The Chronicle of Higher Education*. ISU, the only four-year public university in Illinois to be included on this list, earned the honor in the following categories: collaborative governance; compensation and benefits; confidence in senior leadership; facilities, workspace and security; job satisfaction; professional/career development programs; respect and appreciation; supervisor/department chair relationship; teaching environment, tenure clarity and process; and work/life balance.

BLOOMINGTON-NORMAL COMMUNITY

Illinois State University is located in the growing twin cities of Bloomington and Normal, with a population of approximately 167,000 and conveniently located approximately two hours from both Chicago and St. Louis. Mass transit is available via a centrally-located transportation station in Uptown Normal and direct air-passenger service to several cities across the U.S. is available from the local Central Illinois Regional Airport. The community is home to Illinois Wesleyan University, Lincoln College, Heartland Community College, St. Joseph Medical Center, Advocate BroMenn Medical Center, Country Financial, and State Farm Insurance International Headquarters. The community has distinguished itself for its outstanding school systems and educational attainment, parks and recreation, health care, job growth, economic opportunity, and low crime. For more information about the area, visit <http://visitbn.org>.

APPLICATION AND DEADLINES

Initial review of applications will begin on November 12, 2018, and will continue until the position is filled. To assure full consideration, please complete an online application for posting number 0711206 at <https://www.jobs.ilstu.edu> and include a letter of application describing experience and fit with the position; vita; and the names and contact information for three references (name, address, telephone, and email) before November 12, 2018. The Department's Web site: <http://fcs.illinoisstate.edu/>

Illinois State University is an Equal Opportunity/Affirmative Action Employer encouraging applications from individuals with disabilities, minorities, females, and veterans.