

Assistant or beginning Associate Professor for Islamic Studies

Department of Religion, University of Florida

Location

Gainesville, FL

Description

The Department of Religion at the University of Florida, College of Liberal Arts and Sciences invites applications for a full-time, nine-month, tenure track position at the level of Assistant or beginning Associate Professor for the Izzat Hasan Sheikh Faculty Fellowship in Islamic studies, beginning August 16, 2019.

We seek candidates who have demonstrated creativity and excellence in research and scholarship and who are able to integrate the study of Islam into broader theoretical and comparative contexts. Applications from candidates working on global Islam, especially those with expertise on Islam in Asia and its contemporary implications, are particularly welcome. Candidates should be able to teach courses on early, classical, and modern Islam, as well as on topics such as scripture, law, and/or theological developments. They must also demonstrate excellence in teaching and be strongly committed to mentoring undergraduate students, supervising graduate students, and helping to develop global Islamic studies at the University of Florida.

The Department of Religion at the University of Florida is a diverse department with faculty from various academic disciplines who employ different approaches (e.g. textual, philological, ethnographic, historical) to the study of religion. The department has a dynamic subfield in Global Islamic Studies as part of its graduate program, as well as an expanded offering of courses to undergraduate students in Islamic Studies. Department faculty and students work closely with UF's Center for Global Islamic Studies and the centers for African Studies, European Studies, Jewish Studies, Latin American Studies, and Women's and Gender Studies, as well as departments within the humanities and the social sciences.

The Department particularly welcomes applicants who can contribute to a diverse and inclusive environment through their scholarship, teaching, mentoring, and professional service. Scholars whose interests and experiences complement those of current faculty are also encouraged to apply.

The university and greater Gainesville communities enjoy a diversity of cultural events, restaurants, year-round outdoor recreational activities, and social opportunities.

Qualifications

Applicants should have a doctoral degree in Islamic studies, religious studies, or a closely related discipline by the time of appointment.

Application Instructions

For full consideration, applications must be submitted online at <http://apply.interfolio.com/56497> and must include: (1) a cover letter summarizing the applicant's qualifications, ongoing research, and interests, (2) a complete curriculum vitae, (3) research/teaching statement, and (4) a substantial writing sample. In addition, names and email addresses for three references must be provided on the application. After initial review, applicants receiving further consideration will be asked to provide confidential letters of recommendation. To ensure full consideration, applications should be received by November 15, 2018. However, the position will remain open until filled. Send email inquiries or nominations to Benjamin Soares (email: benjaminsoares@ufl.edu).

All candidates for employment are subject to a pre-employment screening which includes a review of criminal records, reference checks, and verification of education. The selected candidate will be required to provide an official transcript to the hiring department upon hire. A transcript will not be considered "official" if a designation of "Issued to Student" is visible. Degrees earned from an educational institution outside of the United States require evaluation by a professional credentialing service provider approved by the National Association of Credential Evaluation Services (NACES), which can be found at <http://www.naces.org/>.

The University of Florida is an equal opportunity institution dedicated to building a broadly diverse and inclusive faculty and staff. Searches are conducted in accordance with Florida's Sunshine Law. If an accommodation due to disability is needed to apply for this position, please call (352) 392-2477 or the Florida Relay System at (800) 955-8771 (TDD).

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