Assistant Professor of Nineteenth-Century British Literature and Culture

Department of English, University of South Carolina

The Department of English at the University of South Carolina invites applications for a tenure-track assistant professor position in British literature and culture of the long nineteenth century. The position offers opportunities for connection and continuity with other areas of strength in the department, including nineteenth-century American literature and twentieth- and twenty-first century global and postcolonial literature. But this is an open search; we are more interested in identifying the most exciting and exceptional scholarship than we are in any particular subfield or area of specialization. The teaching load is 2/2. A Ph.D. in a relevant field must be in hand by August 16, 2025, the starting date for the position.

All applicants must complete an online application at: https://uscjobs.sc.edu/postings/174332. Applicants must submit a cover letter, CV, writing sample (of no more than 30 pages), and the names and email addresses of three recommenders (who will be prompted to submit letters of recommendation directly). To ensure full consideration, application material must be received by October 15, 2024. Inquiries about the search may be directed to the search committee chair, Tony Jarrells (jarrells@mailbox.sc.edu).

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A nationally ranked department, the Department of English at the flagship campus includes undergraduate and graduate programs in literature, creative writing, rhetoric and composition, and speech communication. Our faculty also work in interdisciplinary units within the College of Arts and Sciences, including African American Studies, Comparative Literature, Film and Media Studies, Global Studies, Linguistics, and Women's and Gender Studies. For more information about English at USC, please visit our website at sc.edu/English.

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