



# West Virginia University

## Assistant Professor Position

### Fashion Design & Merchandising

The Fashion Design & Merchandising program in the Davis College of Agriculture, Forestry and Consumer Sciences at West Virginia University is pleased to invite applications for a 9-month, tenure-track position in the **Design focus** at the rank of Assistant Professor to commence on August 16, 2008. Summer support for the first three years may be available. This position is new because of growth in the program.

#### Duties and Responsibilities

- Responsibilities consist of teaching courses from the following: (1) computer-aided design, (2) draping, (3) flat pattern, (4) portfolio development, (5) functional apparel, and (6) design and illustration.
- In addition to teaching, the faculty member will develop and maintain a research program and/or engage in creative practice, mentor students, and provide service to the university, state, and profession. Opportunities exist for participation in the cross-cultural, inter-disciplinary program, Disegno Italia.

#### Qualifications

Candidates must hold a doctorate, with at least one degree in the textile, apparel, and merchandising disciplines. Computer skills relevant to the position are required. Candidates who are ABD with expected completion by August 2009 will be considered. Candidates must meet standard eligibility requirements to work in the United States and must have demonstrated strong and effective verbal and written communication skills in English. Teaching, professional experiences, evidence of research, and successful grant writing are desirable.

#### Program

The Fashion Design & Merchandising program currently consists of four tenure-track faculty and two part-time positions. The Program offers a B.S. degree and enrolls approximately 280 undergraduate students and has a growing international program component in Milan, Italy. West Virginia University has some 27,500 students and is located in north central West Virginia in Morgantown, a city that recently was ranked among the most livable small cities in the Northeast. The closest international airport is Pittsburgh, about 1.5 hours away by car. Additional information is available at <http://www.design.wvu.edu>.

#### Application

Applicants should submit the following materials:

- Letter of application, including teaching and research/creative activity interest statement.
- Curriculum vitae, including list of courses taught with dates.
- Copy of transcripts.
- Three reference letters plus names, addresses, telephone numbers, and e-mail addresses.
- Examples of personal and/or students' work including article reprints and/or design work.

The application letter and materials should be addressed to:

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#### Review Period

Review of candidates will begin immediately and continue until the position is filled.

West Virginia University is an Equal Opportunity/Affirmative Action Employer. Women, minorities, veterans, and individuals with disabilities are encouraged to apply.