



Visiting Assistant Professor of Art History: Asian Art

The Department of Art and Art History at Swarthmore College invites applications for a three-year temporary position specializing in Asian art to begin Fall 2018 and extend through Spring 2021; an extension may be possible. We seek an art historian who can teach a broad array of courses in the history of Asian art, ideally both pre-modern and contemporary. We welcome candidates with research and teaching interests in cross-cultural encounters and interdisciplinary exchanges. The strongest applicants will be dedicated teacher-scholars with a well-developed primary field of specialization, an interest in developing courses with thematic, geographical, and temporal breadth, and a commitment to pedagogically-creative undergraduate teaching in a liberal arts context. We are particularly interested in candidates who can work effectively with students from diverse backgrounds.

Teaching responsibilities will include first-year seminars, surveys, intermediate courses, and advanced seminars in the Art History program, as well as the supervision of student research projects. This position also contributes importantly to the college's Asian Studies program. We seek an individual who can enrich our current course offerings and complement our areas of expertise and encourage applicants to familiarize themselves with our program's current strengths on the College website: <https://www.swarthmore.edu/art>.

Among the qualifications required for appointment is the Ph.D degree in Art History or a closely related field. Outstanding candidates who are in the final stages of dissertation writing (ABD) will be considered. Successful teaching experience at the college level is desirable.

The Department of Art, with eight full-time tenured or tenure-track faculty members (four in Art History and four in Art), offers rigorous Bachelor degrees in Art History and Art. The faculty-to-student ratio at Swarthmore is 1 to 9/8. Courses in Asian art history attract a broad range of students at the College, including majors and minors in Art History, Art, and Asian Studies, and liberal arts students across the curriculum.

Located in the immediate suburbs of Philadelphia, Swarthmore College is a highly selective liberal arts college whose mission combines academic rigor with social responsibility. The College offers a comprehensive and highly competitive compensation package, including professional development funds.

Swarthmore has a strong institutional commitment to diversity and actively seeks and welcomes applicants with exceptional qualifications, particularly those with demonstrable commitments to a more inclusive society and world. Applicants from traditionally underrepresented groups are strongly encouraged to apply. For more information on Faculty Diversity and Excellence at Swarthmore, see <http://www.swarthmore.edu/faculty-diversity-excellence/information-candidates-new-faculty>.

By December 15, 2017, applicants should submit a cover letter describing their teaching and research interests, a current CV, and a writing sample. Applicants should arrange for their application and three letters of recommendation to be addressed to the Search Committee, Department of Art, Swarthmore College and submitted online at: <https://academicjobsonline.org/ajo/jobs/10338>. Inquires may be made to Constance Hungerford, Department Chair, at chunger1@swarthmore.edu.