Assistant Professor in European Media Studies (French/German)

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The Departments of Germanic and Slavic Studies, and French and Italian, at the University of California, Santa Barbara, invite applications for a tenure-track position at the rank of Assistant Professor in European Media Studies (French/German) beginning July 1, 2017. Candidates should hold a Ph.D. in German and/or French Media Studies, German and/or French Literature or Philosophy, or a related field by the starting date. They should have native or near-native fluency in French, German and English; or in German and English, or French and English, with additional qualifications in respectively French or German. We seek a candidate whose research and teaching focus on aspects of German and/or French Media Studies, with a strong background in the literature, philosophy, and culture of at least one of these traditions. The successful candidate will bring a comparative perspective to bear on the long history of media, which may include manuscripts, print media, sound recording, film, radio, TV, and digital technologies. Additional specializations in a cognate field (e.g. philosophy, aesthetics, visual culture, science and technology, translation studies, cultural studies) are welcome although not required.

The successful candidate will ideally teach Media Studies in both the German and French programs, as well as in the Comparative Literature program, including large humanities courses on European literary culture, smaller courses for the German and French Majors, and graduate seminars. However, consideration will be given to strong applicants whose fields of specialization include only German or French media studies. The ability to conduct courses at all levels in German and/or French and English is required. The candidate should be able to contribute to existing initiatives such as the Graduate Center for Literary Research, the German and French tracks in Comparative Literature, and the Interdisciplinary Humanities Center.

All application materials, including three letters of reference, must be submitted online via UC Recruit at: https://recruit.ap.ucsb.edu/apply/JPF00841

Application packets should include the following (all in English except writing sample): cover letter, detailed curriculum vitae, a succinct statement in English describing past and anticipated research projects (1,000 words), and one or two writing samples (maximum 30 pages) in either English, French or German, a one-page teaching statement, and arrange for three letters of recommendation to be uploaded directly. To ensure full consideration, all application materials, including letters of reference, should be uploaded by October 31, 2016. Primary consideration will be given to applications received by this date. Inquires may be addressed to the Search Committee at: FrenchGermanSearch2016@frit.ucsb.edu

A first round of interviews will be conducted via Skype.

The Departments of Germanic and Slavic Studies and French and Italian at the University of California at Santa Barbara are deeply committed to both research and teaching, and include
nationally and internationally recognized scholars. Our Departments are also committed to interdisciplinary work and maintain close affiliations with other departments across campus, as well as strong interactions with the Interdisciplinary Humanities Center (IHC), the Graduate Center for Literary Research (GCLR), the Comparative Literature Program, and Programs in Medieval Studies, Translation Studies, Feminist Studies, and Writing Studies. We offer undergraduate programs leading to the BA in German and Slavic, and French and Italian and MA/PhD tracks in German and French within the doctoral program in Comparative Literature. For more information, please visit our web pages at: http://www.frit.ucsb.edu and http://www.gss.ucsb.edu.

The Departments are especially interested in candidates who can contribute to the diversity and excellence of the academic community through research, teaching and service.

The University of California is an Equal Opportunity/Affirmative Action Employer and all qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, national origin, disability status, protected veteran status, or any other characteristic protected by law.