

Faculty Position Vacancy

Teaching Fellow (English)

Position Description

Wartburg College is at an exciting moment as it embarks upon “Our Brightest Days: Realizing Purpose, Leading Change,” the College’s new strategic plan. As indicated in the newly adopted vision statement, “Wartburg College is called to be the leading institution in education of the whole person. Together, we create an inclusive community combining diverse curricular and co-curricular experiences to prepare students to be resilient leaders of positive change through service in a complex world.”

Founded in 1852, Wartburg College is a selective four-year liberal arts college of the Lutheran Church (ELCA), nationally recognized for community engagement. The college offers more than 50 academic majors and pre-professional and certificate programs leading to the bachelor’s degree. The college is located in Waverly, Iowa, a growing community of more than 10,000 residents. As part of the Cedar Valley metro area (near Waterloo and Cedar Falls), Waverly has an abundance of cultural, musical, and recreational opportunities. Major Midwest metropolitan areas within driving distance include Des Moines, Iowa (2.5 hours); Minneapolis/St. Paul, Minn. (3 hours); Madison, Wis. (3.5 hours); Rochester, Minn. (2 hours); Chicago (5 hours); and Omaha, Neb. (4 hours). The Wartburg Community is committed to creating and maintaining a mutually respectful environment that recognizes and celebrates diversity among all students, faculty, and staff. As an affirmative action, equal opportunity institution, Wartburg College actively seeks applications from members of underrepresented groups.

POSITION: Lecturer or Visiting Assistant Professor in English

The inaugural Teaching Fellow will contribute to the Department of Languages, Literatures and Cultures, teaching a 2-3-1 load, mentoring students, and giving a public presentation based on their research. This is an ideal position for an early career educator, awarded the MA, MFA or PhD within the past two years or ABD and interested in teaching in a liberal arts environment. A faculty mentor will be assigned and the fellow will participate in our comprehensive faculty development program. This is a one-year position.

TITLE: Visiting Teaching Fellow (1-year appointment)

COMPENSATION: Competitive salary and benefits; college housing may be available (TBD)

STARTING DATE: August 2024

TIMELINE: Screening of applications begins immediately and continues until the position is filled.

QUALIFICATIONS:

Successful candidates will provide evidence of the following qualifications:

Required

MA or MFA in English (or related field), with creative writing experience. Commitment to student-centered learning, successful and innovative college-level teaching, and commitment to inclusive communities.

Preferred

PhD or ABD in English or related field. Relevant experience in the following areas: fiction writing; screenwriting; composition; film studies.

Successful candidates will also have a demonstrated commitment to promoting diversity, inclusion, and cultural competence in an educational and work environment and must be willing to support the College's [mission](#) and contribute to the [strategic plan](#).

DUTIES:

- The successful candidate will fulfill the duties of visiting faculty in teaching the following courses:
 1. Composition
 2. Fiction writing and screenwriting
 3. Introductory film studies
- In addition to instruction, hold office hours for students, grade tests and papers, provide other instruction-related duties, and mentor students.
- Actively participate in faculty development opportunities, attend faculty workshops, attend faculty meetings.
- Give one public presentation related to the research interests.

APPLICATION PROCEDURE:

Send resume/curriculum vitae, unofficial graduate transcripts, contact information for three current references, and a letter of application describing your teaching, scholarship, and service experience/interests and how these will support the distinctive mission and institutional learning outcomes of Wartburg College.

Please also address any experience you have working with diverse groups of students. This information should be submitted electronically to: HR@wartburg.edu or by regular mail to: Jamie Hollaway, Director of Human Resources, Wartburg College, 100 Wartburg Blvd., Waverly, IA 50677-1003. For specific inquiries contact Dr. Sonja Lynch, Chair of the English Program in the Department of Languages, Literatures, and Cultural Studies (sonja.lynch@wartburg.edu). For further information about the college and the city of Waverly, see <http://www.wartburg.edu>, and specifically about the English Program, see [English - Wartburg College](#). Wartburg College requires a criminal background check for position finalists.

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