



**ACADEMIC VACANCY**  
**Department of English Language and Literature:**  
**Assistant Professor in Rhetoric and Digital Media**

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The Department of English Language and Literature in the Faculty of Arts at the University of Waterloo invites applications for a probationary position in Rhetoric and Digital Media at the rank of Assistant Professor, with a preferred start date of July 1, 2018. We are looking for a colleague with expertise in rhetoric and in digital media theory and practice who will contribute to our research and teaching in this area, as well as to the Department more broadly. Expertise in critical making, critical data studies, or digital design is particularly welcome. Applicants for this position must have a completed PhD by time of appointment and provide evidence of research potential and achievement commensurate with their experience and a strong teaching record in relevant areas.

The successful candidate will be offered a wide range of teaching experiences, from first-year undergraduate courses through to graduate teaching and supervision of doctoral students. The current teaching load is 2 + 2, which normally includes one graduate course. The salary range for this position at the rank of Assistant Professor is \$78,000 to \$100,000. Negotiations beyond this salary range may be considered for exceptionally qualified candidates.

The successful candidate will be involved in supporting our unique PhD degree, which integrates literary studies with the fields of rhetoric, media theory and design, communication, and discourse and text analysis. In addition, the successful candidate will teach courses related to our MA degrees, particularly the MA in Experimental Digital Media and the MA in Rhetoric and Communication Design; and courses related to our undergraduate degrees, particularly the Honours BA in Rhetoric, Media and Professional Communication. Since the Department promotes an integrated research culture, secondary expertise in a field of literary study is especially welcome.

Research opportunities include those available at the department's Critical Media Lab, where the successful candidate will have access to extensive resources for digital design (please visit <http://criticalmedia.uwaterloo.ca> for more information) and at the university-wide Games Institute.

Applications are due by 15 January 2018. Please address applications to Professor Kate Lawson, Chair, Department of English Language and Literature, University of Waterloo. Application materials must be submitted online as PDF files through <https://arts-ofas.uwaterloo.ca/english/>. Please include a letter of application, curriculum vitae, and a teaching dossier and/or link to an e-portfolio, and arrange for three letters of reference to be uploaded.

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More information about the Department is available at <https://uwaterloo.ca/english/>. Further enquiries may be directed to Professor Lawson at [englishchair@uwaterloo.ca](mailto:englishchair@uwaterloo.ca) or at 519-888-4567, ext. 33965.

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“Three reasons to apply: <http://uwaterloo.ca/fauw/why>”.