Assistant Professor of English Language and Literature

The Department of English at Smith College invites applications for a tenure-track position at the rank of Assistant Professor, to begin July 1, 2026. Successful candidates should be prepared to engage actively with diverse students across the liberal arts. Teaching responsibilities for this position will include four courses per year: Shakespeare and/or Milton, an early British literature survey, and electives in the period, depending upon the candidate's field of specialization. Desirable sub-fields include race and empire, intersectional gender, sexuality and queer studies, disability studies, environmental studies, global Renaissance, among others. Candidates should have a strong foundation in Early Modern British literary studies and candidates with experience in teaching are encouraged to apply. Ph.D. in English or a relevant field is expected by the time of appointment. Candidates from groups underrepresented in the field are encouraged to apply.

Located in Northampton, MA, Smith College is the largest women's college in the country and is dedicated to excellence in teaching and research across the liberal arts. A faculty of outstanding scholars interact with students in small classes, as advisors, and through student-faculty research projects. Smith College offers opportunities to foster faculty success at every career stage, such as those listed here. The College is a member of the Five College Consortium with Amherst, Hampshire and Mt. Holyoke Colleges, and the University of Massachusetts Amherst. Students cross-enroll and faculty cross-teach across the Five Colleges. Details about the Department of English may be found at https://www.smith.edu/academics/english-language-literature.

Submit application at https://apply.interfolio.com/173413 with a cover letter, curriculum vitae, equity and inclusion statement, a writing sample (30 pages maximum), and three confidential letters of recommendation. Finalists may be asked for additional materials. Review of applications will begin on October 1, 2025.

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