Program in Comparative Literature Doha Institute for Graduate Studies

Title: Open Rank Post in Comparative Literature

Section: Full-Time Academic

Location: Doha, Qatar

About the Doha Institute:

The Doha Institute for Graduate Studies is an independent institution founded in 2015 based in Doha, in the State of Qatar. Postgraduate programs of study are offered in two schools: the School of Social Sciences and Humanities and the School of Public Administration and Development Economics. Arabic Language is the main language for study and research and is supported by other common languages. The Institute seeks to achieve its goals through the integration of teaching and learning with scientific research, taking into consideration the interdisciplinary approach. The Institute also aims to qualify researchers who can advance human knowledge in accordance with international scientific standards. As well as developing professionals who are fluent within their disciplines and advanced skills and enabling leaders who can respond to the needs of the Arab region in sustainable development, and intellectual, social and professional advancement.

Keywords: Comparative Literature; World Literature; Literary Theory; Arabic, Asian, African and Latin American Literary Traditions

About the program:

The Comparative Literature Program at the Doha Institute for Graduate Studies (DI) in Qatar invites applications for a position at the Assistant or Associate Professor level in Comparative Literature to begin at the start of the Fall term 2022 or the 2022 academic year, August 2022.

Founded in 2015, DI is a non-profit and independent institute. Arabic is the official language of instruction, but in the Program of Comparative Literature the language of instruction alternates between Arabic and English. The institute offers excellent remunerative packages including competitive salaries, housing and other benefits.

The Comparative Literature Program at the Doha Institute for Graduate Studies is a pioneering program in the region, aiming uniquely to engage with the emergent approaches of the New Comparative Literature and key recent debates in the discipline. In this respect, the Program focuses on recent crucial reflections on the discipline's historical formations, and the methodological challenges of working across languages and traditions. Expertise and perspectives from non-European literary, aesthetic and critical traditions are integral to this approach.

With its critical humanist and interdisciplinary thrust, and through its uniquely designed core and elective courses, the Program aims to train a new generation of comparative literature scholars, who

will be able to situate themselves in the discipline at large as a new type of Arabist and comparative literary theorist.

The candidate must have a PhD in Comparative Literature from a recognized Program or Department of Comparative Literature. Preference will be given to candidates with specializations in literary theory, approaches to World Literature and the new comparative literature, and with demonstrable expertise in Arabic literature and an Asian, African or Latin American literature. The candidate will be expected to participate in the teaching of the Program's core theory courses and electives, and in the Interdisciplinary Curriculum in the School of Social Sciences and Humanities.

Candidates should show evidence of research excellence and a commitment towards quality teaching at the graduate level. Please note that the Ph.D. requirement must have been fulfilled by September 1, 2022.

The Comparative Literature Program at the Doha Institute for Graduate Studies places high value on diversity and will welcome applications from early career and female scholars.

Applications should include:

(1) a letter of application; (2) a curriculum vita; (3) a teaching portfolio that contains a statement of teaching philosophy and evidence of teaching effectiveness; (4) a research statement; (5) Two samples of peer reviewed publications; (6) names and contacts of three referees who will be contacted for letters of reference should the candidate be long-listed.

Application Deadline: January 15, 2022

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