Assistant Professor of Soviet and Post-Soviet Cultural Studies

The Department of Slavic Languages and Literatures at the University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign invites applications for a tenure-track position in Soviet and Post-Soviet Cultural Studies with emphasis on Ukraine. We welcome applications from scholars whose research explores any topic within that area through media, film, or literature and includes Ukraine. The position will start at the rank of Assistant Professor (100% FTE, on a 9-month service basis, with a 2-2 course load). Successful candidates will be prepared to teach a range of courses at the undergraduate and graduate level and oversee Ukrainian language instruction. Candidates with a documented commitment to working with students or faculty from groups historically marginalized or underrepresented in the field through teaching and mentoring are especially encouraged to apply.

The Illinois College of Liberal Arts and Sciences is a world leader in research, teaching, and public engagement. Faculty in the College create knowledge, address critical societal needs through the transfer and application of knowledge, and prepare students for lives of impact in the state, nation, and globally. To meet these objectives, the College embraces and values diversity and difference through hiring faculty candidates who can contribute through their research, teaching, and/or service to the diversity and excellence of the Illinois community.

PhD in Slavic, Comparative Literature, or a related field is required before the time of appointment. Candidates whose PhD may be delayed but will complete all the Ph.D. requirements within the first appointment year may be appointed at the rank of Instructor. After the Ph.D. requirement is met, the appointment will be changed to Assistant Professor. Native or near-native proficiency in English and Ukrainian is required. Preferred qualifications include native or near-native proficiency in Russian and/or another Slavic language and experience teaching at the university level in North America. The anticipated starting date is August 16, 2024. Salary commensurate with rank and qualifications.

To apply, create your candidate profile through https://jobs.illinois.edu and submit application materials by September 30, 2023. Applicants must submit a curriculum vitae, a research statement or dissertation abstract, a writing sample, a teaching statement, and contact information for three references. Recommendations will be requested following initial screening of applications. We ask that all documents be uploaded in a single .pdf file as an upload in the “Resume/CV” section.

Questions about the position may be directed to Search Chair, George Gasyna, ggasyna@illinois.edu. For questions regarding the application process, please contact 217-333-2137.

The University of Illinois must also comply with applicable federal export control laws and regulations and, as such, reserves the right to employ restricted party screening procedures for applicants. The University of Illinois System is an equal opportunity employer, including but not limited to disability and/or veteran status, and complies with all applicable state and federal employment mandates. Please
visit Required Employment Notices and Posters to view our non-discrimination statement and find additional information about required background checks, sexual harassment/misconduct disclosures, COVID-19 vaccination requirement, and employment eligibility review through E-Verify.

Applicants with disabilities are encouraged to apply and may request a reasonable accommodation under the Americans with Disabilities Act (2008) to complete the application and/or interview process. Requests may be submitted through the reasonable accommodations portal, or by contacting the Accessibility & Accommodations Division of the Office for Access and Equity at 217-333-0885, or by emailing accessibility@illinois.edu.