



The [Visual Arts Department](#) at the University of California, Santa Cruz (UCSC) invites artists focused in Photography, to apply for a tenure-track faculty position recruited at the level of assistant professor. Applicants should be able to contribute to the advancement of experimental forms of Photography. We have a strong interest in candidates with expertise in traditional and extended photographic practices. We have a preference for candidates with multidisciplinary orientation. In addition, the ideal candidate will demonstrate a broad understanding of the scholarly fields of photographic studies, critical histories of photography, photographic theory and visual art practices. Possible related areas of research and teaching might include video and media arts, print media, inter-media and convergences of art, design, humanities, science and technology. As always, the department seeks to add to its current strength in the creation of socially and environmentally engaged work.

We are especially interested in candidates who can contribute to the diversity and excellence of the academic community through their research, teaching, and service. The campus currently operates on a schedule of three 11-week quarters per academic year. We seek an artist with teaching experience at the university level and with evidence of a developed research trajectory. The successful candidate will be expected to teach 5 five-unit courses per year, or their equivalent, in accordance with the department's workload policy; advise and mentor students; actively engage in research activity; and actively participate in administrative responsibilities for the department, affiliated college and the campus. The ability to contribute significantly to graduate education and the mentoring of graduate students is highly desirable. The successful candidate must be able to work with students, faculty and staff from a wide range of social and cultural backgrounds. We are especially interested in candidates who can contribute to the diversity and excellence of the academic community.

We are located among redwood forests and meadows overlooking Monterey Bay, along California's Central Coast in close proximity to Silicon Valley and the San Francisco Bay Area. Our program is particularly rich in its variety of possible specialties and themes available to the student, including cross-boundary collaborations and innovative communication in the arts with a foundation in visual studies. The program is composed of courses in drawing, painting, print media, photography, sculpture, inter-media and interactive technologies, critical thinking, public art and electronic art. A new MFA in Environmental Art and Social Practice is under review. We have an array of [exceptional studios](#) and classrooms that include an up-to-date digital imaging lab, metal shop, foundry, drawing and painting studios, photo labs and print studios. Our digital photography lab is considered one of the finest in the country. We also maintain a 16 station darkroom. Photography students work in both analogue and digital processes and across media boundaries collaborating with all other visual disciplines. The Art department is a key player in the recently founded [Social Practice Arts Research Center](#) (SPARC at UCSC) and [UCSC OpenLab](#). We also share a newly completed [Digital Arts Research Center](#), which fosters creative work in new media and technology. The Arts Division supports faculty research through the Arts Research Institute <http://artsresearch.ucsc.edu/ari/> and the [Arts Dean's Fund for Excellence](#); the campus supports research and teaching with grants awarded by the Committee on Research, the Committee on Teaching, and other groups.

RANK: Assistant Professor

SALARY: Commensurate with qualifications and experience; academic year (9-month) basis.

BASIC QUALIFICATIONS: Applicants must have an M.F.A. or a Ph.D. or equivalent foreign degree; and a demonstrated record of creative work as evidenced by exhibitions in museums, galleries, festivals, conferences, or publications in journals.

PREFERRED QUALIFICATIONS: Three years University teaching experience

POSITION AVAILABLE: July 1, 2016, with academic year beginning September 2016. Position contingent upon final budgetary approval.

TO APPLY: Applications are accepted via the UCSC Academic Recruit online system and must include: 1) letter of application outlining scholarly and creative background as well as current and future research plans; 2) curriculum vitae; 3) twenty images of own work (if including time-based work, no more than three QuickTime clips of no more than three minutes each. Please upload separate PDFs each with a link; 4) ten images of student work (optional) - please upload separate PDFs each with a link; 5) three proposed syllabi for both graduate and/or undergraduate courses; 6) names of three confidential referees with their email contact information*; and 7) three writing samples. Applicants are invited to submit a statement addressing their past and/or potential contributions to diversity through research, teaching and/or service. Documents/materials must be submitted as PDF files.

Apply at <https://recruit.ucsc.edu/apply/JPF00164>

Refer to Position #**JPF00164-15** in all correspondence.

*All letters will be treated as confidential per University of California policy and California state law. For any reference letter provided via a third party (i.e., dossier service, career center), direct the author to UCSC's confidentiality statement at <http://apo.ucsc.edu/confstm.htm>

NEXT REVIEW DATE: The 2015-16 review of applications will begin on **SEPTEMBER 1, 2015**.

To ensure full consideration, applications should be complete by this date. The position will remain open until filled, but not later than 6/30/2016.

NOTE: If you have already applied to this recruitment, you are welcome to update your online application and materials by the next review date of September 1, 2015.

UC Santa Cruz faculty make significant contributions to the body of research that has earned the University of California the ranking as the foremost public higher education institution in the world. In the process, our faculty demonstrate that cutting-edge research, excellent teaching and outstanding service are mutually supportive.

The University of California is an Equal Opportunity/Affirmative Action Employer. All qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, national origin, disability, age, or protected veteran status. UC Santa Cruz is committed to excellence through diversity and strives to establish a climate that welcomes, celebrates, and promotes respect for the contributions of all students and employees. Inquiries regarding the University's equal employment opportunity policies may be directed to: Office for Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion at the University of California, Santa Cruz, CA 95064; (831) 459-2686.

Under Federal law, the University of California may employ only individuals who are legally able to work in the United States as established by providing documents as specified in the Immigration Reform and Control Act of 1986. Certain UCSC positions funded by federal contracts or sub-contracts require the selected candidate to pass an E-Verify check. More information is available [here](#) or from the Academic Personnel Office (APO) at (831) 459-4300.

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