

Position Available: Visiting Assistant Professor at Gustavus Adolphus College

Scandinavian Studies: Swedish Language and Scandinavian Studies

Position Details: Gustavus Adolphus College invites applications for a full-time position of Visiting Assistant Professor in the Department of Scandinavian Studies during the period January 1, 2017, to January 31, 2018.

Minimum Required Qualifications: We seek candidates who have an earned doctorate, but will consider candidates who have achieved ABD status. The successful candidate will have native or near-native fluency in Swedish, experience teaching Swedish at all undergraduate levels, and a good general knowledge of the Nordic area. Beyond the language, competitive candidates must be able to offer Scandinavian area studies courses within their areas of preparation and show a strong interest in working closely with undergraduate students.

Preferred Qualifications: We are interested in applicants who will complement our commitment to students and faculty from diverse cultural groups, and who will diversify the expertise and experiences represented in the department.

Major/Essential Functions: Primary teaching responsibilities will include eight courses: two sections of Swedish language and one course of Scandinavian Studies during the Spring Semester (January-May) of 2017, and two sections of Swedish language and one course of Scandinavian Studies during the Fall Semester (September-December 2017) within the applicant's area of interest/expertise in Scandinavian culture, and two courses (January 2017 and January 2018) which will be an experiential course taught during Gustavus's experiential learning January Term.

The Scandinavian Studies Department's curriculum includes a variety of courses that are either interdisciplinary "culture" courses or deal with specific periods, genres, or writers in the Scandinavian Studies field. As is stated in the first two Department Outcomes, courses taught focus on modern perspectives: (1) Students will be aware of important issues in the Nordic countries today; (2) Students will learn to appreciate the Nordic area as a multicultural and multi-ethnic area and recognize its links to the rest of the world.

Application and Institution Information: Electronic application is required; email application materials as separate PDFs to kranking@gustavus.edu. The application materials must include a letter of application, curriculum vitae, statements of teaching philosophy and research interests, transcripts (scanned copies acceptable), and three confidential letters of professional recommendation (sent directly from the reference or letter service). The cover letter and letters of recommendation should be addressed to:

Dr. Glenn Kranking
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Application information is also available at www.gustavus.edu/jobs. For more details, visit the College's website at www.gustavus.edu/provost/newfaculty/ or contact Dr. Glenn Kranking at kranking@gustavus.edu. Review of applications will begin immediately and continue until the position is filled; preference will be given to those whose files are complete by September 12, 2016.

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