The Department of English at Virginia Tech invites applications for a Collegiate Assistant Professor of Rhetoric & Writing, who will teach in and who will contribute to the leadership of a growing, vibrant Composition Program, to begin August 2020. (See §5.1.5 of the Faculty Handbook at

https://www.provost.vt.edu/who we are/faculty affairs/faculty handbook/chapte r05.html for information on the rank of Collegiate Professor.) We seek a colleague with an open research specialization within rhetoric and composition/writing studies who is experienced with contemporary approaches to the teaching of writing, who is dedicated to active professional development, and who strives to create innovative environments for practice-based teaching and learning. Occasional travel to national conferences is required. The successful candidate will be required to have a criminal background check.

The standard teaching load is 3/3. This position will also help shape professional development activities consistent with goals and methods of large-scale writing programs. An active research agenda and receptivity to assuming rotating responsibilities related to writing program administration are preferred. Virginia Tech's Composition Program provides instruction in ENGL1105: First-year Writing: Introduction to College Composition and ENGL1106: First-year Writing: Writing from Research to more than 6,000 students each year.

Required: A Ph.D. in Composition & Rhetoric, Writing Studies, or Written Communication (or a related field in English Studies) by the time of appointment. Preferred: Ideal candidates will have experience with the design of contemporary writing curricula, GTA education, multilingual writing instruction and support, assessment, writing program administration, and/or teaching first-year writing.

Applications must be submitted electronically at http://www.jobs.vt.edu, job no. 510998. Attach to the electronic application a letter of interest that addresses the qualifications and responsibilities stated above, a curriculum vitae, a statement of teaching philosophy, and a list of three referees with contact information. We anticipate conducting preliminary interviews via Skype in December and conducting campus visits for finalists in February. Address gueries to Derek Mueller at dmueller@vt.edu. Applications will be acknowledged via e-mail. Review of applications will begin 18 October 2019. We seek a diverse pool of applicants. Virginia Tech does not discriminate against employees, students, or applicants on the basis of age, color, disability, sex (including pregnancy), gender, gender identity, gender expression, genetic information, national origin, political affiliation, race, religion, sexual orientation, or veteran status, or otherwise discriminate against employees or applicants who enquire about, discuss, or disclose their compensation or the compensation of other employees or applicants, or any other basis protected by law. Individuals with disabilities who desire accommodation in the application process should contact Patty Morse at pattym1@vt.edu; 540.231.8466. Virginia Tech is a research-extensive university that provides opportunities for research excellence.