Cornell University’s Department of Art invites applications for two tenure-track assistant professors in art, beginning in fall 2020 or spring 2021.

The Department of Art, part of the College of Architecture, Art, and Planning, offers both B.F.A. and M.F.A. degrees with a strong liberal arts component. The department enjoys a close relationship with Cornell’s Herbert F. Johnson Museum of Art and diverse academic units across the university. Art faculty and students have access to extensive traditional and digital production facilities in the college as well as to the resources of a major research university. The department also offers semester-long undergraduate programs in both New York City and Rome.

We seek candidates with a strong and creative teaching experience, a significant record in exhibition or other modes of public artistic engagement, and a critical practice that has received wide recognition. The department currently organizes its courses into six areas of practice — painting, drawing, sculpture, print media, photography, and digital media. Of particular interest for this search are candidates whose practices include one or more of painting, print media, photography, or digital media. Nonetheless, because individual faculty and student practices regularly lie beyond or across these traditional categories, we encourage applications from the full range of media, practice, and background/orientation. In terms of this search, an important qualification for the position will be the degree to which the candidate can articulate a coherent vision of the future of art practice and the candidate’s chosen media in a way that will support the department’s goal of preparing students for artmaking in an increasingly difficult and rapidly changing world.

Applicants should have a deep knowledge of their media, but also a demonstrated familiarity with the broad range of current practices, and must be able to teach from a knowledge of art history and theory. Cornell AAP’s B.F.A. and M.F.A. are both oriented toward the interrelationship and integration of interdisciplinary studio practice with content from across the university: the candidate should therefore be able to address art practice in a broad cultural, socio/political, technical, and conceptual context within an atmosphere of close faculty/student involvement and mentoring.

The position requires a master of fine arts degree. Salary will be commensurate with qualifications and experience.

Responsibilities include teaching all levels of the undergraduate and graduate programs, developing topical seminars, and participating in related departmental service such as admissions and portfolio review, curriculum development, and undergraduate and graduate student advising.

Cornell is committed to hiring faculty who share its historical commitment to educating and pursing knowledge for any person in any study. We now ask that every applicant for an academic appointment (including tenure-track and tenured positions, academic staff positions, and academic librarian positions) provide a Statement of Contribution to Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion. This statement offers candidates an opportunity to describe their potential contributions to diversity and inclusion at Cornell and our legacy of “…any person…any study.” Candidates are also invited to connect their contributions to Cornell’s role as a land-grant institution enabling community improvement through research and teaching.

Required application materials:
- Letter of application
- Statement of teaching philosophy
- Examples of course syllabi
Curriculum vitae
Work samples (links or other appropriate documentation) and work list
Student work samples
List three references with telephone numbers as well as mail and email addresses; these references will be contacted only for the later stages of the search, and with the applicant’s permission
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The deadline to apply is January 6, 2020.

All applicants should submit their materials electronically to Academic Jobs Online at https://academicjobsonline.org/ajo/jobs/14640

Further information about Cornell University; the College of Architecture, Art, and Planning; and the Department of Art and its students, alumni, and faculty may be found at: https://aap.cornell.edu/academics/art