

Anthropology Jobs in Visual/Material Culture

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As well as the research fellowship in Museum Anthropology at Bard in NYC and the jobs at UCL recently advertised and linked to on this site there are a number of positions currently being advertised which require specialisation in the domain of material/visual culture and media. It is obvious that this is a growing sub-discipline within anthropology, with a broad appeal at both undergraduate and graduate levels, although it is still only a small fraction of the academic job market. Material world blog would be interested to know how important the study of the visual and material is within the academic departments of readers, or the thoughts of any of our student readers on the kinds of courses they are offered...

Check out some of the academic job listings culled from aaa.net amongst other websites after the jump...

Readers with other job opportunities feel free to post links in the comments section.

Assistant Professor, Culture & Media,

The Department of Anthropology at New York University invites applications from outstanding scholars for an Assistant Professor, tenure-track position in our Program in Culture and Media, to start September 1, 2008, pending administrative and budgetary approval. We seek a scholar with training in sociocultural and visual anthropology; anthropological research on some dimension of visual media compatible with our focus on the visual mediation of cultural difference; knowledge of the history and theory of ethnographic film; a track record in ethnographic documentary production sufficient to teach and supervise students in using nonlinear facilities; and an ability to develop and fund public events and new initiatives.

Please send application, including letter, vita and names of three referees, by November 15, 2007, to Chair, Department of Anthropology, New York University, 25 Waverly Place, New York, NY, 10003. NYU is an Equal Opportunity/Affirmative Action Employer.

Curator, Asian Ethnography

With concentrated attention and highest priority focused on the collections from SE Asia, which in the British Museum originate from most parts of the region and date mainly from the last 150 years, you will curate and develop the collections of Asian ethnographic material at the Museum.

Your role will involve ensuring that collections are appropriately stored, displayed, researched and made accessible both directly and via publication, including the Merlin database or its successor. You will actively seek ways of relating the collections to others, in line with departmental and museum objectives, as well as helping to engage the broadest audience through an appreciation of these materials and of the cultural and historical understandings which their interpretation supports. This position will require you to undertake original research work on the collections, including field research programmes and working alongside colleagues, the wider Museum and with relevant others in the UK and overseas.

A degree in anthropology, art history or relevant field of Asian studies or with equivalent experience is essential, as is having knowledge of an Asian language. Experience in object handling is

desirable. You will have the ability to work as part of a team and prioritise your workload in order to meet tight deadlines whether in a museum, academic or publishing context.

For further information or a full application pack, please visit www.thebritishmuseum.ac.uk/jobs email bm@peoplemedia.co.uk or telephone +44 (0) 845 601 0885, quoting reference 73237.

Closing date: 20 September 2007.

Assistant Professor

Ithaca College seeks a cultural anthropologist for a tenure eligible position. PhD in hand at the time of application required; full-time teaching experience beyond the TA level preferred. The successful candidate must be able to teach Introduction to Cultural Anthropology and various middle and upper level courses at the undergraduate level. Topical interests include visual anthropology, gender, psychological anthropology, and gerontology. Excluded are medical anthropology and ethnomusicology. Geographic focus excludes North America, southern Africa, and South Asia. Interested individuals should apply online at www.icjobs.org. Review of materials will begin November 1, 2007 and continue until position is filled. Ithaca College is an Affirmative Action/Equal Opportunity Employer. Members of underrepresented groups (including people of color, persons with disabilities, military veterans and women) are encouraged to apply.

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Cultures and Institutions in Motion

During the academic years 2008/09 and 2009/10 the Shelby Cullom Davis Center for Historical Studies will focus on the problem of cultures and institutions in motion. How have ideas, institutions, structures, and artifacts moved across social and geographical space? How have they intersected with their new environments? How have they been adapted, resituated, hybridized, and transformed in processes of motion? The field of inquiry includes transnational history but is not limited to it. Problems could include the diffusion of religious and cultural practices, the migration of technologies and objects, the circulation of ideas, traditions, and aesthetic forms, the transfer of policies and legal practices, the dynamics of traveling social movements, histories of reception, appropriation, and encounter, and the creation of translocal networks and intermediaries. As in the past, we hope to address this problem from a wide variety of periods and places, from prehistory to the present and from all parts of the world. Scholars from all disciplines with an interest in the topic as an historical phenomenon are invited to apply.

The Center will offer a limited number of research fellowships for one or two semesters, running from September to January and from February to June, designed both for senior scholars and for highly recommended younger scholars who have finished their dissertations by the application deadlines. Fellows are expected to live in Princeton in order to take an active part in the intellectual interchange with other members of the Seminar. Funds are limited, and candidates are, therefore, strongly urged to apply to other grant-giving institutions as well as the Center, if they wish to come for a full year.

Written inquiries should be addressed to the Manager, Shelby Cullom Davis Center for Historical Studies, Department of History, 136 Dickinson Hall, Princeton University, Princeton, NJ

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08544-1017, U.S.A. The deadline for applications and letters of recommendation for fellowships for 2008/2009 is December 1, 2007. Scholars who would like to offer a paper to one of the weekly Seminars are asked to send a brief description of their proposal and current curriculum vitae to the Director.

Applications can be made online at http://dav.princeton.edu/program/e14/fellowship_informati.html. Princeton University is an equal opportunity employer and complies with applicable EEO and affirmative action regulations. For general information about applying to Princeton and how to self-identify, see <http://web.princeton.edu/sites/dof/ApplicantsInfo.htm>. Please note that we will not accept faxed applications.

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