Assistant/Associate Professor of English

Department: English
Position: Full-time, academic year, renewable, tenure-track faculty position
Salary Range: Assistant Professor $46,000-$50,000
Associate Professor $50,000-$54,000
Union Affiliation: MEA/MFT
Posting Date: December 2016
Start Date: August 1, 2017

Description
The University of Montana Western invites applications for a tenure-track position in the Department of English, commencing August 1, 2017. Applicants must have completed a doctorate in American literature or a related area. Responsibilities will include teaching American literature (for majors and non-majors), first-year composition, developmental writing, and other classes as needed (24 credits—6 classes—per year). Other duties include scholarly activity, participating in campus committees, attending faculty meetings, and (after the first year) student advising.

Requirements
Minimum qualifications include an earned doctorate in American literature or a related area (Colonial or Nineteenth-Century American literature preferred). Desired secondary specialization in World (non-Commonwealth) literature. Demonstrated excellence in postsecondary teaching is required with proven experience in teaching upper-level literature classes as well as first-year composition and developmental writing. To be considered for this position, applicants must demonstrate the ability to create an experience-centered learning environment appropriate for X1-scheduling at Montana Western. Applicants must possess an established record of scholarly productivity in the area of specialty and evidence of professional service.

Application
Application materials should include a letter of interest addressing the ability to teach in the X-1 scheduling system and demonstrating a commitment to teaching first year and first generation college students, a detailed curriculum vitae and names and contact information for three current professional references. Review of applications will begin January 16, 2017 and continue until the position is filled. Application material should be sent to:

Patti Lake
Payroll & Benefits Supervisor
The University of Montana Western
710 S Atlantic Street
Dillon, MT 59725
Patricia.lake@umwestern.edu
Questions regarding this position should be directed to Alan Weltzien via email @ alan.weltzien@umwestern.edu or by calling 406-683-7431.

**The University & Dillon Area**

The University of Montana Western is a dynamic, innovative, undergraduate university with over 60 full-time faculty and 1,500 students. It is located in Dillon, Montana in the scenic Rocky Mountains and has been awarded numerous top national rankings for delivering high quality, affordable education.

Montana Western is the only public four-year college in the nation offering *Experience One (X1)*, experiential learning delivered on the block schedule. Class sizes are small and students take a single course at a time, three hours each day for 18 days, before moving on to the next course. Each course is four credits and four blocks are offered each semester. The block schedule facilitates field and lab work, undergraduate research, study travel, and interdisciplinary teaching. Montana Western’s faculty strongly believe in mentoring and inspiring students, and assisting them in the transition from university life to professional careers.

The University of Montana Western is an integral part of the Dillon Community. With a population of 5,000 people, Dillon is known for outstanding public schools, safe environments, recreational opportunities, and an excellent quality of life.

*The University of Montana Western is an equal opportunity/affirmative action employer and encourages applications from qualified women, minorities, veterans and people with disabilities. Qualified candidates may request veterans, or disabilities preference in accordance with state law. Reasonable accommodations are provided in the hiring process for persons with disabilities. Finalists for this position will be subject to a criminal background investigation.*