Instructor of Interior Architecture and Design

Department: Interior Architecture and Design Department, Walker College of Business
Location: Erie Campus
Reports to: Chair of Interior Architecture and Design Department
Classification: Faculty
Closes: June 18, 2021

POSITION/APPOINTMENT
The Interior Architecture and Design department is seeking qualified candidates for a nine-month, non-tenure track position at the rank of Instructor. The start date for this position is August 2021.

THE UNIVERSITY
Mercyhurst University is a fully accredited, four-year, Catholic, liberal arts institution founded in 1926 by the Sisters of Mercy, who worked hard to make the college and the Erie community a better place. The University is home to more than 3,000 undergraduate and graduate students immersed in more than 50 undergraduate majors with 67 concentrations, as well as unique adult programs and nine graduate degrees.

DEPARTMENT
The Interior Architecture and Design department, within the Walker College of Business, offers a Bachelor of Science degree in Interior Architecture and Design.

DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES (but not limited to)
The faculty member will be responsible for teaching a total of eight undergraduate courses (24 credits) over the fall and spring semesters. The faculty member will also be responsible for advising undergraduate students, recruiting new students, and involved in professional organizations. Other duties as assigned.

EDUCATION AND EXPERIENCE
This position requires a minimum of a master’s degree in Interior Design, Interior Architecture, or a closely related field, as well as teaching and professional experience. Candidate must hold at least one degree in interior design. Desired qualifications are an MFA or PhD in Interior Design, Interior Architecture, or a closely related field, NCIDQ certification. LEED certification is desirable.
Successful candidates will be creative and enthusiastic individuals with a commitment to quality education, student centeredness, and being part of a collaborative team.

Candidates must also be able to function well in a technological environment. Specifically, a proficiency in current versions of AutoCAD, Revit, Adobe Creative Suites, SketchUp, and rendering programs such as Lumion and/or 3dsMax is required.

Experience in online course delivery is a plus but not required. Candidates are expected to actively participate in departmental, college and university-wide committee work; curriculum development; academic support services such as portfolio review and undergraduate advisement; student recruitment; and professional organizations.

Candidates must have the ability to create and facilitate a meaningful learning environment and teach in one or more of the following areas:
- 2D/3D manual drafting and sketching
- Computer aided drafting and design
- Manual and digital rendering and presentation techniques
- Foundational through upper-level design studios with emphasis on the design process and creative problem solving

**WORK CONDITIONS**
The physical demands described here are representative of those that must be met by an employee to successfully perform the essential functions of this job. Reasonable accommodations may be made to enable individuals with disabilities to perform the essential functions. While performing the duties of this job, the employee is regularly required to talk and hear. The employee is frequently required to stand, walk, and sit. The employee may be required to lift and/or move up to 10 pound and occasionally lift and/or move up to 25 pounds. Specific vision abilities required by this job include close vision, distance vision, depth perception and ability to adjust focus. The work environment characteristics described here are representative of those an employee encounters while performing the essential functions of this job. Reasonable accommodations may be made to enable individuals with disabilities to perform the essential functions. The noise level in the work environment is usually moderate.

The above is intended to describe the general content of and requirements for the performance of the job. It is not to be construed as an exhaustive statement of duties, responsibilities, or requirements.

**APPLICATION**
To apply, send digital copies of a cover letter; a statement of teaching, professional, and research goals; a curriculum vitae; transcripts; a portfolio of no more than 20 labeled images of personal work and 10-15 images of student work; and contact information for three references to:

Kathy Weidenboerner
kweidenboerner@mercyhurst.edu.
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Candidates must be currently eligible to work in the United States.