

## Art History and Communication Studies – Assistant Professor of Black Studies in Media and Technology

McGill University

### Description

The Department of Art History and Communication Studies at McGill University is hiring an Assistant Professor of Black Studies in Media and Technology (tenure-track). The candidate must demonstrate outstanding research and publication potential, relevant teaching experience or potential, and a commitment to interdisciplinary inquiry and the support of diverse intellectual communities.

We welcome candidates working in Black Studies as it intersects with one or more of the following areas: media studies, digital culture and/or internet research, cultural studies, science and technology studies, music and sound studies, film studies, infrastructure studies, and gender and sexuality studies. We welcome research and teaching concentrations that could include but are not limited to: Black digital culture and counterpublics; cultural studies of the Black diaspora; Black diasporic expressive cultures; anti-colonial, decolonial, and postcolonial theory and methods; environmental humanities; media histories; feminist, queer and transgender studies; disability studies; and production studies. Black scholars, and scholars working with anti-oppressive research frameworks and methods, broadly conceived, are especially encouraged to apply.

The successful candidate will teach courses at the undergraduate and graduate level, develop curriculum in their areas of expertise, supervise graduate students, and contribute to the intellectual life of the department and university. We prefer that applicants have a PhD in hand at the time of appointment.

Appointment is expected to be at the rank of Assistant Professor, but appointment at a higher rank is possible under exceptional circumstances. The position start date is **August 1, 2022**. Complete applications should include a cover letter, curriculum vitae, contact information for three referees, evidence of teaching experience and effectiveness (for example: sample course syllabi and summaries of teaching evaluations), and two writing samples (20-30 pages). All materials must be submitted electronically at [https://mcgill.wd3.myworkdayjobs.com/en-US/mcgill\\_careers/job/Arts-Building/Assistant-Professor-of-Black-Studies-in-Media-and-Technology\\_JR0000016020](https://mcgill.wd3.myworkdayjobs.com/en-US/mcgill_careers/job/Arts-Building/Assistant-Professor-of-Black-Studies-in-Media-and-Technology_JR0000016020).

Full review of **applications will begin on 27 October 2021**. After that date, we will continue reviewing applications until the position is filled. Interviews are expected to take place online in December 2021. Inquiries may be sent to the Chair of the search, Carrie Rentschler ([carrie.rentschler@mcgill.ca](mailto:carrie.rentschler@mcgill.ca)).

Knowledge of French is an asset. English is the language of instruction at McGill.

This position is part of a multi-year interdisciplinary initiative designed to strengthen and support research innovation and excellence in African, African diasporic, and Black Studies at McGill, while simultaneously addressing the under-representation of Black faculty in the tenure stream, as laid out in the [University Action Plan to Address Anti-Black Racism 2020-2025](#).

Our department and McGill University are located on the unceded territory of Tiohtià:ke, now known as Montréal; the Kanien'kehá:ka Nation are the traditional custodians of these lands and waters. To learn more about the Department of Art History and Communication Studies, please visit our website at: <https://www.mcgill.ca/ahcs/>.

### **Commitment to Equity and Diversity**

McGill University is committed to equity and diversity within its community and values academic rigour and excellence. We welcome and encourage applications from racialized persons/visible minorities, women, Indigenous persons, persons with disabilities, ethnic minorities, and persons of minority sexual orientations and gender identities, as well as from all qualified candidates with the skills and knowledge to engage productively with diverse communities.

At McGill, research that reflects diverse intellectual traditions, methodologies, and modes of dissemination and translation is valued and encouraged. Candidates are invited to demonstrate their research impact both within and across academic disciplines and in other sectors, such as government, communities, or industry.

McGill further recognizes and fairly considers the impact of leaves (e.g., family care or health-related) that may contribute to career interruptions or slowdowns. Candidates are encouraged to signal any leave that affected productivity, or that may have had an effect on their career path. This information will be considered to ensure the equitable assessment of the candidate's record.

McGill implements an employment equity program and encourages members of designated equity groups to self-identify. It further seeks to ensure the equitable treatment and full inclusion of persons with disabilities by striving for the implementation of universal design principles transversally, across all facets of the University community, and through [accommodation policies and procedures](#). Persons with disabilities who anticipate needing accommodations for any part of the application process may contact, in confidence, this [email](#).

All qualified applicants are encouraged to apply; however, in accordance with Canadian immigration requirements, Canadians and permanent residents will be given priority.

For further information: <http://www.mcgill.ca/ahcs/>