

The Department of Communication Studies at the University of North Carolina at Charlotte invites applications for a tenure-track position in media studies at the rank of Assistant Professor beginning August 15, 2019. Required qualifications include a Ph.D. in Communication Studies or a related area, along with the demonstration of:

- An active research agenda that can lead to significant publications and external grants commensurate with a department affiliated with interdisciplinary Ph.D. programs
- An ability to teach courses in the theory, research, and practice of media studies.
- A commitment and ability to work with diverse undergraduate and graduate student populations

Ideally, the successful candidate would have familiarity with qualitative, quantitative, mixed or emerging methodologies to advance a critical understanding of media studies and technologies. The pursuit of external funding is a requirement for success. The department seeks a versatile scholar who excels in an interdisciplinary environment. The candidate will thrive when interacting with colleagues who employ varied theoretical, methodological, and topical approaches. UNC Charlotte's Data Science Initiative, for instance, makes available big data resources and brings together scholars interested in analytics and quantitative studies in a plurality of contexts.

Successful candidates will conduct research, teach B.A. and M.A. students in the Department of Communication Studies, and perform service. The standard teaching load for pre-tenured faculty is 2-2 (two classes per semester). Depending upon scholarly interest, candidates may affiliate with doctoral programs in Organizational Science and Health Psychology. The successful candidate may also have the opportunity to participate in an interdisciplinary Ph.D. program in Digital Cultures and Communication, a collaboration between the College of Liberal Arts & Sciences and the College of Computing & Informatics, currently in the planning stages.

UNC Charlotte is committed to cultivating diversity and inclusion throughout the campus. Our institution strives to celebrate and leverage the benefits of this diversity, and to sustain an inclusive and welcoming environment for all students, faculty, and staff. The successful candidate must showcase evidence of a commitment to promote diversity as a value in the department, college and university. Finalists will be asked during their screening interview to discuss how the topics of diversity and inclusion are incorporated into their teaching and research.

UNC Charlotte is a rapidly growing doctoral-granting urban university located in the largest metropolitan area between Washington DC, and Atlanta. The University is a Carnegie Foundation Community Engagement campus. Close to 30,000 culturally diverse students currently are enrolled at the University. As the largest college at UNC Charlotte, the College of Liberal Arts & Sciences houses 20 departments in the humanities, social and behavioral sciences, and natural sciences, as well as 25 applied research centers and interdisciplinary

programs. It offers eight doctoral degrees, 36 master's degrees and graduate certificates, and 34 undergraduate degrees.

The Department of Communication Studies (<http://www.communication.uncc.edu>) has 30 full-time faculty with areas of emphasis in Media Studies, Health Communication, Organizational Communication, Public Relations, and Rhetoric. The department serves approximately 1,600 majors and minors and 25 M.A. students. The department's primary mission is to provide high-quality instruction to its undergraduate and graduate students, and to contribute significantly to the understanding of communication issues as they affect people's lives, especially in the Charlotte metropolitan region. Through its teaching, scholarship and service, the department is committed to serving diverse populations.

The review of applications will begin November 2 and continue until the position is filled. To apply for the position, access an application online at <http://jobs.uncc.edu>, position #003730. Please upload a cover letter responding to the qualifications listed above, a current CV, evidence of teaching excellence, one to three examples of conference papers or publications that demonstrate a range of work in media studies, and official or unofficial graduate transcripts. Also, three letters of recommendation (signed and on letterhead) should be sent directly to Dr. Jason Edward Black, Chair, Department of Communication Studies, University of North Carolina at Charlotte at commstudiesjobs@uncc.edu.

As an EOE/AA employer and an ADVANCE Institution that strives to create an academic climate in which the dignity of all individuals is respected and maintained, the University of North Carolina at Charlotte encourages applications from all underrepresented groups.

The candidate chosen for this position will be required to provide an official transcript of their highest earned degree and submit to a criminal background check.