

Assistant Professor of Interior Design—#68011
College of Behavioral and Social Sciences, School of Human Ecology

The School of Human Ecology in the College of Behavioral and Social Sciences invites applications and nominations for the position of Assistant Professor of Interior Design.

Founded in 1906, Georgia Southern University is a Carnegie Doctoral/R2 institution with a focus on public-impact research, serving over 25,500 students on three beautiful campuses in Statesboro, Savannah, and Hinesville, and via a growing online program. Through our degree offerings at the associate's, bachelor's, master's and doctoral levels, Georgia Southern offers a distinctive combination of community collaboration, world-class scholarship, innovative teaching, and hands-on learning opportunities.

Within this setting, the multi-disciplinary School of Human Ecology is a dynamic and growth-oriented applied research unit of 18 faculty and staff. We serve over 600 undergraduate majors enrolled in programs in areas that include Interior Design, Human Development and Family Science, Fashion Merchandising, and Apparel Design, and Recreation and Tourism Management. The School accommodates an undergraduate research program and the Child Development Center, an on-campus laboratory school serving 64 children.

The Interior Design program is housed in the Interdisciplinary Academic Building completed in 2018 with state-of-the-art facilities featuring a dedicated computer lab, studios equipped with WACOM displays, VR technology, and access to a fabrication lab. The CIDA (Council for Interior Design Accreditation) accredited program has experienced growth over recent years supporting the need to expand its faculty. The program recently received another 6-year accreditation in the Fall 2023. The mission of the Interior Design program is to provide a professional undergraduate education guided by the standards and expectations of the Council for Interior Design Accreditation to develop entry-level designers who can formulate viable and creative evidence-based and human-centered solutions. The curriculum provides a broad range of interior design experiences that develop interior architectural designs, aesthetics, communication, collaboration, technology, and design skills that emphasize well-being, inclusion, and sustainability. The program is committed to cultivating mutual respect, empathy, and understanding that prepare graduates for professional interior design jobs within the global community.

Position Description. Reporting to the School of Human Ecology Chair, the Assistant Professor of Interior Design requires teaching, scholarship, and service responsibilities. This position will include traditional face-to-face delivery and the possibility of online instruction. The successful candidate will teach undergraduate lecture and studio courses as appropriate.. This position's expectations include holding regular office hours and participating in departmental meetings and activities. Candidates should have the ability to secure external funding for creative and scholarly pursuits, mentor students, and provide service to the profession, University, and community. The position is a 10 month, tenure-track appointment, and the salary is competitive and commensurate with qualifications and experience.

Required Qualifications:

- Earned PhD or MFA in Interior Design or a closely related field (M-Arch also accepted) with at least 18 graduate semester hours in Interior Design, by August 1, 2024.

- NCIDQ eligibility and completion within two years
- Ability to teach AutoCAD, Revit, and/or Adobe Suite programs
- Ability to teach a range of studio courses (i.e., intro studio, hospitality design, restaurant design, commercial design, etc.)
- Proficiency and ability to teach lecture courses both face-to-face and online
- Willingness to engage with institutional student success initiatives.
- Commitment to engaging with best practice initiatives in instruction and pedagogy, mentoring, and curriculum design and development.
- Demonstrated commitment to advancing a strong and growing research and scholarship agenda and the production of research/creative activities as appropriate to the discipline.

Preferred Qualifications:

- NCIDQ certification
- PhD in Interior Design, or a closely related field
- Engagement with the interior design profession via professional organizations (IIDA, ASID, IDEC, USGBC, WELL, EDAC, CAPS, etc.) and experience with professional practice
- A spirit of innovation through ideas and experience with teaching in higher education
- Dedication to well-being and sustainability
- Knowledge of additional interior design-related computer program including 3DS Max, 20/20, CET Designer, Lumion, virtual reality/augmented reality
- Experienced with community engagement initiatives
- Documentation of research resulting in scholarly publications

Conditions of Employment:

- Must be authorized to work in the United States for the duration of employment without assistance from the institution.
- All work (with limited exceptions such as research and study abroad and outside activities such as grading and email correspondence) for Georgia Southern University must be completed while the employee is physically present in the state of Georgia, unless specifically authorized by the university for a specific purpose and limited period of time within current policy.
- Faculty are expected to contribute to the vibrant university community by engaging students, participating in events, and performing other responsibilities on-campus
- Faculty may be required to teach, conduct research, or perform service duties on any of the three campuses. Georgia Southern provides accessible transportation options between campuses.

Screening of applications begins January 2, 2024 and continues until the position is filled. The preferred position starting date is August 1, 2024. A complete application consists of a letter addressing the qualifications cited above; a curriculum vitae; and the names, addresses, telephone numbers, and email addresses of at least three professional references. Other documentation may be requested. Only complete applications submitted electronically will be considered. Finalists will be required to submit to a background investigation. Applications and nominations should be sent to:

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More information about the institution is available through <http://www.georgiasouthern.edu> or <https://cbss.georgiasouthern.edu/interior-design/>. The names of applicants and nominees, vitae, and other

non-evaluative information may be subject to public inspection under the Georgia Open Records Act. Georgia Southern University provides equal employment opportunities to all employees and applicants for employment without regard to race, color, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, national origin, religion, age, veteran status, political affiliation, or disability. Individuals who need reasonable accommodations under the Americans with Disabilities Act to participate in the search process should notify Human Resources at 912-478-6947.