As a vibrant and growing department, the Department of Communication Studies at Kansas State University invites applications for three tenure-track, Assistant Professors beginning August 2015.

We are searching for an Assistant Professors based on the following position descriptions:

Position: Assistant Professor whose research addresses collective/group decision-making (such as public dialogue and deliberation, community/civic engagement, or global development). This appointment would help advance the work of Kansas State University’s Institute for Civic Discourse and Democracy. Applicants should demonstrate a high proficiency in a particular research methodology.

The successful candidate will:

• conduct a program of research in his or her area of specialization;
• teach both undergraduate and graduate courses in her or his area of specialization;
• teach undergraduate and graduate courses demanded by departmental programs;
• advise undergraduate and graduate students;
• direct and/or serve on thesis committees;
• provide service to the department and university;
• contribute to interdisciplinary research that aligns with the University’s research priorities; and
• share our commitment to diversity.

The Communication Studies Department offers masters’ and bachelors’ degrees in communication and rhetorical studies. Four specialized tracks are offered at the undergraduate level: Political Communication, Organizational Communication, Legal Communication, and Relational Communication. The growing department is committed to Kansas State University’s goal of being a top-50 research university by 2025 (http://www.k-state.edu/2025/). In addition to producing quality research and innovative teaching, the department takes pride in their students who compete on nationally competitive debate, forensics, and mock trial teams. For more departmental information visit: http://commstudies.k-state.edu/

The Communication Studies Department is located at Kansas State’s Manhattan campus, home to more than 24,000 students. In 2013, Kansas State University achieved record highs in fundraising, external grant awards, and student enrollment. A part of the scenic Flint Hills region some 100 miles west of Kansas City, Manhattan is a growing, increasingly multicultural city. In 2011, Manhattan was ranked by Forbes magazine as the best small city in the U.S. for business and careers.

Qualified candidates will demonstrate:

• completion of a Ph.D. in Communication Studies or a related field of study by August 2015;
• evidence of teaching excellence; and
• evidence of scholarly achievement.
Please apply by sending (1) a letter of application, (2) curriculum vita, (3) teaching evaluations, (4) evidence of scholarly activity and (5) names and contact information for three professional references to commstudies@k-state.edu or by mail to Cassie Hall, Department of Communication Studies, 129 Nichols Hall, Kansas State University, Manhattan, KS 66506.

For questions about the positions, please contact Dr. Sarah Riforgiate at sriforgi@k-state.edu.

Kansas State University is an AA/EEO employer and actively seeks diversity among its employees. A background check is required. Screening of applications will begin March 8, 2015 and continue until the positions are filled.