

Assistant Professor of Religious Studies

The Department of Classics, Archaeology, and Religion (CAR) at the University of Missouri invites applications for a tenure-track position in Religions of Contemporary East or Southeast Asia in the context of the Pacific World. We seek candidates with a broad knowledge of the religions of East and Southeast Asia whose research addresses the relationship between religion and globalization during or after the industrialization period. Undergraduate teaching competence in the Religions of China, Japan and Korea is expected, and an ability to teach courses on other religions of the region, as well as on transnational politics, trade and environmental issues is desirable. We strongly encourage those whose work is informed by methods and theories in the academic study of religion to apply.

CAR offers the undergraduate BA degree in both Ancient Mediterranean Studies (which includes courses in Ancient Greek and Latin) and Religious Studies, and the graduate MA and PhD degrees in Ancient Mediterranean Studies (in Archaeology, Classical Languages, or Classical Arts and Humanities). The normal teaching load includes two courses per semester and includes close work with both undergraduate and graduate students. In addition to courses in their area of expertise, the successful candidate will be expected to teach a range of introductory undergraduate courses, including Intro to Religion, Religion and Culture, and/or Global Religions, as well as upper-level courses that connect to the cultures, politics, and history of the modern Pacific World.

A doctorate completed by June 1, 2024, is required. Candidates will be evaluated on:

- Degree focus
- Relevant language competencies
- Demonstrated strength in the study of religion and trans-Pacific politics, economy, or environment
- Teaching experience
- Research agenda

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Review of Applications will begin on October 9, 2023

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