Title: Shrimad Rajchandra Endowed Chair in Jain Studies

Position: Open Rank (Associate or Full Professor Level)

The Department of Religious Studies at the University of California, Riverside (UCR) invites applications for a full-time, tenured position beginning July 1, 2018, at the rank of Associate or Full Professor to fill the Shrimad Rajchandra Endowed Chair in Jain Studies. We seek a scholar with a wide range of knowledge and research interests in Jain ethics, philosophy, religion, history and culture, as well as familiarity with the languages of Jain primary sources. We are especially interested in interdisciplinary research that can critically evaluate the relevance of Jain principles in peace and conflict studies, human rights, bioethics, and/or diversity and social justice.

The successful candidate's responsibilities will include maintaining an outstanding research program and teaching undergraduate and graduate courses including the advising of graduate students. The successful candidate will be expected to guide the research of doctoral students, to be committed to a continuing research program, to provide departmental leadership in the field, and to provide service to the university and profession. Applicants must have a Ph.D. in a related field and should demonstrate an established record of excellence in research and teaching that merits a tenured appointment as an Associate or Full Professor in the Department of Religious Studies.

The university is on the quarter system of ten weeks of instruction per quarter. A standard teaching load is four courses per academic year. We especially welcome applications from scholars with demonstrated ability to contribute to a tradition of academic excellence and intellectual distinction at a campus that is committed to bringing a top research university education to first-generation college students and students of color. Salary will be competitive and commensurate with education and experience.

Application materials for the position should be submitted through: https://aprecruit.ucr.edu/apply/JPF00835

This position requires that the candidate provide a CV, Cover Letter, 3-5 letters of reference, a sample publication, a Statement of Research, a Teaching Statement, a Statement of Contributions to Diversity and teaching evaluations from a college or university.

Qualifications: Ph.D. required in a related field. UCR is a world-class research university with an exceptionally diverse undergraduate student body. Its mission is explicitly linked to providing routes to educational success for underrepresented and first-generation college students. A commitment to this mission is a preferred qualification. Salary is commensurate with education and experience.

Advancement through the faculty ranks at the University of California is through a series of structured, merit-based evaluations, occurring every 2-3 years, each of which includes substantial peer input.

The University of California is an Equal Opportunity/Affirmative Action Employer with a strong institutional commitment to the achievement of excellence and diversity among its faculty and staff. All qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, national origin, age, disability, protected veteran status, or any other characteristic protected by law.