

**Postcolonial Theory:** The interdisciplinary doctoral program ASPECT (Alliance for Social, Political, Ethical, and Cultural Thought) and the Department of Political Science at Virginia Tech invite applications for a tenure-track position at the rank of Assistant Professor in Postcolonial Theory and Global Governance/Globalization Theory with an emphasis on human security and sub-specializations in critical gender or race perspectives, the governance/management of displaced populations, urban/rural dynamics, and qualitative methodologies. Evidence of excellence in research and demonstrated experience in teaching are required. Ability and desire to mentor/advise graduate students in interdisciplinary and theory-driven ASPECT doctoral program are essential. ASPECT and the Department of Political Science encourage applications from a diverse pool of applicants. The standard teaching load is four courses per academic year, including at least one course to be offered for the ASPECT PhD program and there will be occasional travel to attend professional conferences and meetings. This position will begin August 10, 2018. Earned doctorate in political science or closely related field at the time of application or degree in hand by August 10, 2018.

The successful candidate also will have the opportunity to engage in transdisciplinary research, curriculum, and/or outreach initiatives with other university faculty working in the Integrated Security Destination Area. The Integrated Security Destination Area is focused on understanding and fostering a world in which individuals, institutions, and nations are secured by technology and social systems that follow ethical principles and promote values of social justice. Faculty working together in this area are bringing a transdisciplinary approach to the complex range of human and systems security challenges. The successful candidate will have additional opportunities to join University colleagues in research and teaching initiatives in the Policy Strategic Growth Area (<http://provost.vt.edu/destination-areas.html>).

Required qualifications: Earned doctorate in political science or closely related field at the time of application or degree in hand by August 10, 2018. Candidates must have a clear specialization in postcolonial theory and global governance/globalization theory with an emphasis on human security. Applications demonstrating strong research interests in critical gender or race perspectives, the governance/management of displaced populations, urban/rural dynamics, and qualitative methodologies are especially encouraged. Additionally, successful candidates will need to demonstrate an ability to mentor doctoral students in ASPECT and in the Political Science department's MA program and will have documented effectiveness in teaching postcolonial, global governance/globalization, and security courses at the undergraduate level.

Desired qualifications: Preference will be given to political theorists who can teach a wide array of courses at the graduate and undergraduate levels in the areas listed above. Ability to work in disciplinary and interdisciplinary settings (and collaborate in teaching and research with colleagues across disciplines in the context of the ASPECT program and the cross-university Integrated Security Destination Area and Policy Strategic Growth Area) is highly desirable. Prior teaching experience at the undergraduate and graduate levels is strongly preferred. Commitment to work effectively with a diverse campus population is key.

Interested persons must apply at [www.jobs.vt.edu](http://www.jobs.vt.edu) posting #TR0170155, where they will submit a cover letter, a current curriculum vitae, no more than one recent writing sample representative of their research, teaching evaluations, a short research précis (1-2 pages) that stresses the applicant's theoretical background and contributions, and contact information for no more than 4 academic references. Screening of applications will begin **January 5, 2018** and will continue until the position is filled. All inquiries can be sent to: Dr. François Debrix ([fdebrix@vt.edu](mailto:fdebrix@vt.edu)) or Dr. Timothy W. Luke

(twluke@vt.edu), chairs, Postcolonial Theory Search Committee, ASPECT, Major Williams Hall, Room 202 (0192), 220 Stanger St., Virginia Tech, Blacksburg, VA 24061. Employment conditions: Must have a criminal background check. Individuals desiring assistance/accommodation in the application/interview process should contact us at (540) 231-8477 voice or (540) 231-7227 TTY. For further information on the departments, see <https://liberalarts.vt.edu/departments-and-schools/alliance-for-social-political-ethical-and-cultural-thought.html> and <https://liberalarts.vt.edu/departments-and-schools/department-of-political-science.html>. Virginia Tech is an equal opportunity/affirmative action institution.