



## **Assistant Professor of English**

Kentucky Wesleyan College, a private, liberal arts college with a long-standing reputation for quality and academic excellence, invites applications for a full-time Assistant Professor of English to join our community. This is a tenure track position with a start date of August 15, 2024.

The successful candidate will teach a range of composition and literature courses (e.g., Composition I and II, Literacy Lab, Mythology, Grammar and Linguistics, Children and Adolescent Literature, etc.). Special consideration will be given to candidates with specialization in professional and/or technical writing. The teaching load is four courses (12 credit hours) per semester. Additional responsibilities include advising students, engaging in professional/scholarly work, and service.

### **Major Responsibilities**

- Teach 24-28 course contact hours each academic year (typically a 4/4 load) in a variety of English courses to majors and non-majors.
- Serve as an academic advisor for English majors as assigned.
- Serve as a faculty advisor to student organizations as requested.
- Represent the department at recruitment events.
- Engage in service-learning activities, leadership, and professional development opportunities.
- Contribute your professional expertise to the department, college, profession, and community.

### **Qualifications**

- Ph.D. in English. ABD's will be considered if degree is conferred prior to the start date.
- At least two years of teaching experience, preferably at the college level.
- A strong commitment to teaching, mentoring, and working with undergraduate students and a passion for providing an exceptional classroom experience for Wesleyan students.
- Enthusiastic and dynamic personality.
- Effective communication skills.
- Ability to work collaboratively.

### **Employee Benefits**

This full-time position has access to a full range of employee benefits, including health, dental, vision, and life insurance; retirement plans; and tuition benefits. Due to the college's not-for-

profit status, employees of Kentucky Wesleyan may be able to receive loan forgiveness under the Public Service Loan Forgiveness Program of the US Department of Education.

## **Application Process**

To apply, complete the online application at <https://kwc.edu/application-for-employment/>. As part of the online application, please include a letter of application, curriculum vitae, statement of teaching philosophy, three current letters of recommendation with contact information, and an unofficial transcript of highest degree earned. Review of application materials will begin immediately and will continue until the position is filled. However, applications received by April 10, 2024 will receive first consideration.

An official transcript for the highest degree awarded will be required of the hired candidate, as will a background check. The College will not sponsor applicants for work visas.

Kentucky Wesleyan College is an equal opportunity employer and is committed to attracting qualified candidates from underrepresented groups.

## **Additional Information**

### *About Kentucky Wesleyan College*

Kentucky Wesleyan College is a private, four-year liberal arts institution located in the vibrant city of Owensboro. A United Methodist-related college founded in 1858, Wesleyan is known for excellence in academics and a superior residential experience. Kentucky Wesleyan College has been consistently ranked by U.S. News & World Report as one of the Best Regional Colleges in the South as well as one of the Top Performers in Social Mobility in the South. The Princeton Review has also recognized KWC as a “Best in the Southeast” college for several consecutive years.

Kentucky Wesleyan students can choose from 29 majors and 13 pre-professional curriculums. Classes have a 13-to-1 student-faculty ratio, and 88 percent of the faculty have a Ph.D. or terminal degree. The College is accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges.

The Kentucky Wesleyan Panthers compete in NCAA Division II and are charter members of the Great Midwest Athletic Conference comprising teams from Ohio, Michigan, Kentucky, and Tennessee. Athletic teams include baseball, basketball, bowling, football, golf, soccer, softball, tennis, volleyball, and wrestling.

The College employs approximately 200 faculty and staff who work together on a single campus. Kentucky Wesleyan provides a challenging and supportive academic experience for students as well as a positive and stimulating work environment for employees.

A hallmark of the Kentucky Wesleyan experience includes “The Wesleyan Way,” beliefs which guide the entire college community:

- We do everything with honor.

- We always support each other.
- We will compete with integrity.
- We love each other in Christ.

Kentucky Wesleyan College values the unique contributions of all members of our campus community. As part of our mission to prepare future leaders intellectually, spiritually, and physically, we strive to provide an atmosphere that encourages and challenges all members of the Kentucky Wesleyan College campus community to exhibit an understanding and appreciation of cultural and human differences. We are committed to being a community that reflects the diversity of our larger society. We expect all members of our institution to actively create and maintain an inclusive learning and living environment that embraces diversity in all forms, including race, ethnicity, gender, gender identity, socio-economic status, national origin, sexual orientation, disability, religion, and thought.

#### *About Owensboro, KY*

Kentucky Wesleyan College is located in the hospitable city of Owensboro, Kentucky, a vibrant, beautiful, and safe city nestled on the banks of the Ohio River. Owensboro is small enough to promote a hometown atmosphere yet large enough to support many amenities usually only available in much larger cities. Daviess County is home to 110,000 residents and is easily accessible from metropolitan locations such as Louisville, KY; Nashville, TN; and St. Louis, MO.

Owensboro's revitalized downtown area features a state-of-the-art convention center, several new hotels, and a range of entertainment options with unique restaurants and shops. Twenty-five parks, totaling 953 acres, encircle the city, which hosts over 20 annual festivals – attracting visitors from throughout the region.

#### *Suggested Websites*

Additional information about Kentucky Wesleyan College, the Panthers, and the Owensboro community may be found at:

- <https://www.kwc.edu/>
- <http://www.kwcpanters.com/>
- <http://www.owensboro.org/>
- <https://edc.owensboro.com/>
- <https://visitowensboro.com/>