



Assistant or Associate Professor of Global History, 1648 to the Present

Union Commonwealth University invites applications for a nine-month, full-time, tenure-track position in History at the rank of Assistant Professor, beginning in Fall 2026. We seek a historian of global history since 1648, with geographic and thematic specialization open.

The successful candidate will teach global history courses covering the period from 1648 to the present, along with related undergraduate courses in their area of expertise. This position plays a central role in the general education core and in teacher education programs. The candidate should be an effective and engaging instructor, prepared to teach broad world history surveys for non-majors and education students, as well as upper-level courses for history majors.

We welcome applicants whose scholarship addresses major historical developments across regions and communities. Areas of interest may include empire, migration, religion, law, medicine, the environment, political culture, capitalism, race, gender, or everyday life. The department values teaching and scholarship that connect global processes to lived experience across diverse historical contexts.

Union Commonwealth University serves students from Central Appalachia, including many first-generation college students from rural communities. The University is committed to expanding access and opportunity, including the launch of a tuition-free pathway for local students beginning in the 2026 to 2027 academic year.

We seek a student-centered scholar and teacher committed to inclusive and effective pedagogy. The successful candidate will emphasize both historical knowledge and the discipline's core skills, including primary-source analysis, historical research, historiography, and critical thinking. Teaching responsibilities include both survey and upper-division courses in global and comparative history.

Faculty responsibilities also include engaging and effective teaching, advising students, participating in university service, maintaining an active scholarly agenda, and contributing to the campus's intellectual life.

A Ph.D. in History or a closely related field is required by the time of appointment. ABD candidates will be considered. Review of applications will begin immediately and continue until the position is filled.

This is a location-bound position. The individual hired must reside near campus and be physically present at least four days per week during the academic year

Applicants should submit a cover letter, curriculum vitae, and contact information for three professional references to:

Dr. Joseph W. Pearson

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