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Dear Colleague,

The Philosophy Department at Occidental College has a two-year postdoctoral fellowship opening, beginning August 2016. We are looking for someone interested in working with current faculty members to develop courses that enhance undergraduate research, especially for underrepresented and first-generation students, and which foster collaboration with community institutions. An interest in innovative uses of digital technology will also be valued. The teaching load is four courses a year on the semester system. Areas of specialization and competence are open, but the fellow will be expected to teach introduction to philosophy, a first year research-writing seminar, and *two* of the following: philosophy of art, philosophy of race, feminism, environmental ethics, global justice, and contemporary moral philosophy. The fellow's responsibilities also include mentoring undergraduate research students, and participating in both summer and academic-year faculty learning communities. A completed PhD is required by time of appointment.

Occidental is a college of the liberal arts and sciences with about 2100 undergraduates, located eight miles northeast of downtown Los Angeles. Occidental is committed to academic excellence in a diverse community and to supporting interdisciplinary and multicultural academic programs that provide a gifted and diverse group of students with an educational experience that prepares them for leadership in a pluralistic world. We value creativity, academic accomplishment, and civic engagement, and aim to realize an interdisciplinary, hands-on approach to the liberal arts in the context of a close-knit community of excellent teacher-scholars and engaged students.

Complete dossiers, including: (1) letter of interest that addresses preparation for the responsibilities listed above, (2) current CV, (3) research statement, (4) writing sample, (5) evidence of teaching excellence, (6) statement of teaching philosophy, including ideas about how to develop research-based coursework in philosophy for first and second year students, how to foster digital scholarship in the context of liberal arts college, and how one's scholarly interests could be enhanced by partnership with LA-based community organizations, and (7) three confidential letters of recommendation, should be sent to Patricia Micciche, Administrative Manager, by email at philpostdoc@oxy.edu.

We would greatly appreciate your assistance identifying excellent candidates for this position. Complete information is available at <u>http://philjobs.org/job/show/4043</u> and <u>http://www.oxy.edu/human-resources/working-oxy/faculty-positions</u>. Review of applications is rolling, and full consideration will be given to materials received by December 15.

Sincerely,

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