

# Postdoctoral Fellowship of Interactive Media Arts

NYU Shanghai

## Job Description:

NYU Shanghai is seeking applicants for a postdoctoral position in Interactive Media Arts (IMA). We are an interdisciplinary undergraduate program mixing media creation and theory, with a particular concentration in interactive interfaces, objects, and experiences. IMA combines practice-based and scholarly work in order to explore the social and cultural possibilities of emerging media. Our studio curriculum combines the development of software, the manipulation of digital media, the design and fabrication of material objects, and the construction of virtual and physical spaces. Our seminars relate to theoretical study of the history, philosophy, and politics of emerging media. IMA's faculty comprise an interdisciplinary mix of artists and scholars.

The ideal candidate would be a researcher from any relevant field of the humanities and social sciences or a scholar-practitioner who works at the intersection of art, science, gaming, computation, robotics, media history and theory. We are looking for candidates with expertise in approaches, including but not limited to: materiality of media systems, STS and infrastructure, philosophy of technology, cyberculture, interactive art history and the aesthetics of emerging technologies (e.g., animation, visualization, VR), social media and political issues that touch on the power structure of tech systems, digital ethnography and other new methodologies for the digital age, core values in design and engineering etc.

We offer a fellowship for one year, with the potential to renew the contract for an additional year. Compensation and terms of employment are comparable to U.S. institutions, and include housing subsidies.

## Responsibilities:

The fellowship will involve a diverse set of tasks:

- Teaching load is 1/1. The candidate will be asked to teach a foundational course or propose a topical seminar in line with the candidate's research interests (pending departmental approval).
- Develop educational materials, tutorials and workshops to support the students of IMA.
- Contribute to the program's research agenda in emerging media.

- Contribute to the intellectual life of the program by participating and organizing events.

## Qualifications:

**Required Education**—Ph.D. in a related field. Practice based Ph.Ds are encouraged to apply.

**Required Experience**— High quality research, teaching excellency or outstanding practice in the fields of interactive media are required.

**Required Knowledge, Skills, and Abilities**—Successful candidates should demonstrate the ability to *think critically about or produce contents* in areas such as media arts, virtual reality, augmented reality, video games and location based interactive media, for instance.

## Application process:

Interested applicants should send

- C.V.
- Two recommendation letters
- Two writing samples for traditional scholars; for practitioners, a portfolio of work is required.
- A cover letter addressing research and academic interests in our program. Please also indicate relevant teaching experience and possible courses.

Please visit our website at <https://shanghai.nyu.edu/about/work/fellowships> for instructions and other information on how to apply. If you have any questions, please e-mail [shanghai.faculty.recruitment@nyu.edu](mailto:shanghai.faculty.recruitment@nyu.edu). We will begin our review process April 26 and will continue to review applications until the position is filled.

### **About NYU Shanghai:**

NYU Shanghai is the third degree-granting campus within New York University's global network. It is the first higher education joint venture in China authorized to grant degrees that are accredited in the U.S. as well as in China. All teaching is conducted in English. A research university with liberal arts and science at its core, it resides in one of the world's great cities with a vibrant intellectual community. NYU Shanghai recruits scholars of the highest caliber who are committed to NYU's global vision of transformative teaching and innovative research and who embody the global society in which we live.

NYU's global network includes degree-granting campuses in New York, Shanghai, and Abu Dhabi, complemented by eleven additional academic centers across five continents. Faculty

and students circulate within the network in pursuit of common research interests and cross-cultural, interdisciplinary endeavors, both local and global.

NYU Shanghai is an equal opportunity employer committed to equity, diversity and social inclusion. We strongly encourage applications from individuals who are under-represented in the profession, across color, creed, race, ethnic and national origin, physical ability, and gender and sexual identity. NYU Shanghai affirms the value of differing perspectives on the world as we strive to build the strongest possible university with the widest reach.