

**University of South Florida Postdoctoral Scholars
Social Sciences and Humanities, 2012-13**

Global Change in a Dynamic World

The Department of Communication at the University of South Florida is pleased to announce its participation in the fourth year of USF's Postdoctoral Scholars program in the social sciences and humanities. The over-arching theme for this year's scholars is "Global Change in a Dynamic World."

Postdoctoral Scholars are expected to (a) contribute to one or more of the priority goals of USF's strategic plan (see <http://www.ods.usf.edu/plans/strategic/>), (b) work closely with distinguished faculty, (c) participate in an interdisciplinary and programmatic seminar series, (d) teach two courses over a twelve-month period, and (e) continue building an independent research record and publishing refereed scholarship.

Areas in which post doctoral scholars might work include (but are not limited to) sustainability; sustainable development; disaster management; population changes; technology and information issues; communication and language development; cultural diasporas; ethnicity, gender, and aging issues; cultural heritage and histories; citizenship; identity; health, economic, education, and environmental disparities; political economy; ethics; human rights; peace and conflict studies; injury and violence; and security issues. Specific research and geographical areas are open, and applicants may consider both past and contemporary perspectives.

Appointments are for full time employment (40 hours per week) and will be continued for a maximum of 2 years contingent upon satisfactory performance. The salary is \$40,000 per year and the University contributes to a health insurance program for postdoctoral scholars and their dependents (up to \$6,000). Support for travel to academic conferences will be available. Scholars are responsible for their relocation and housing expenses.

Applicants in communication must have earned a doctoral degree in communication no earlier than 2009 and successfully defended their dissertations by May 1, 2012. The doctoral degree must be conferred prior to the first day of employment. (Applicants must receive their doctoral degree from an institution other than USF.)

A complete application consists of (a) a cover letter stating your interest in this Postdoctoral Initiative and providing details on (i) how your research and teaching expertise would contribute to the theme of "Global Change in a Dynamic World" and the goals and aspirations of the USF Strategic Plan, (ii) the department(s) with which you would like to be affiliated, (iii) your teaching experience and courses that you would like to offer, and (iv) your long-term goals; (b) your curriculum vitae; (c) two letters of reference; (d) scanned copies of up to three of your published papers/scholarly works; and (e) scanned copies of current academic transcripts from all degree awarding institutions (original transcripts will need to be mailed by those individuals who receive formal offers). All application materials must be sent to postdoc@usf.edu by December 9, 2011.

Additional information about the department and the university is available through our departmental Web site: <http://communication.usf.edu>. For complete details about the position, please see <http://www.grad.usf.edu/provostinitiative2012.asp>.

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