## New Mexico Tech invites applications for Assistant Professor of Technical Communication

## **Position Description:**

New Mexico Tech invites applications for a full time, tenure-track Assistant Professor of Technical Communication to begin in August 2025 in the Department of Communication, Liberal Arts, and Social Science (CLASS). The teaching load is 3-3. Candidates will be called upon to teach visual communication, web design, social media and other digital media classes in support of the Technical Communication Bachelor of Science program and the interdisciplinary Master's in Public Engagement in Science, Design and Communication. An ability to teach Technical Writing within the general education program is valued. A candidate may cover other departmental offerings depending on the candidate's secondary interests. Scholarly areas may include technical and scientific communication, visual and digital rhetoric, web design, information design, user experience and/or user interface design (UX/UI) or other media interests.

Applicants should have a PhD in Technical Communication, Rhetoric and Composition, Digital Media or a closely related field by starting date. The successful candidate will have a strong interest in teaching visual communication and web design at a STEM institution; significant potential for successful research, publication, and other scholarly/professional activities; commitment and/or experience to service and administrative tasks such as advising, curriculum development and program assessment. Experience or interest in working with multilingual students is desired. The committee will be interested in candidates' views on diversity issues, and their experience relevant to teaching communication to students from a broad range of cultural backgrounds.

**Department Description:** New Mexico Tech is a public 4-year technical university that is also a Hispanic-Serving Institution (HSI). The Department of Communication, Liberal Arts, and Social Sciences (CLASS) houses a diverse array of disciplines including English, history, music, art, psychology, science and technology studies, Spanish, philosophy, and technical communication. It is home to the Master of Science in Public Engagement, which draws from technical communication, philosophy, ethics, design and digital rhetoric. CLASS faculty engage in numerous transdisciplinary collaborations with colleagues across STEM disciplines.

**Application Deadline:** For best consideration, please apply by October 1, 2024. Inquiries should be directed to Beth Kramer-Simpson, Committee Chair at <u>Elisabeth.Kramer-Simpson@nmt.edu</u> and cc Taffeta Elliott, Department Chair, at <u>Taffeta.Elliott@nmt.edu</u>.

To apply, submit a cover letter, CV, contact information for 3 references, a statement of your teaching philosophy (up to 3 pages), and a statement of your research interests (up to 3 pages). Send this information electronically as a single PDF to Rosa Jaramillo, Human Resources Specialist at <a href="mailto:nmt.edu">nmtjobapps@npe.nmt.edu</a> and cc <a href="mailto:Taffeta.Elliott@nmt.edu">Taffeta.Elliott@nmt.edu</a> (Department Chair) and <a href="mailto:steve.simpson@nmt.edu">steve.simpson@nmt.edu</a> (Dean of Arts and Sciences).

**Equal Employment Opportunity**: NMT is committed to creating a community in which a diverse population can learn, live, and work in an atmosphere of tolerance, civility and respect for the rights and sensibilities of each individual. NMT is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

**Benefits**: NMT offers excellent benefits (health, vision, dental), tuition fee waiver, a generous retirement plan, and access to a childcare center on campus.

Regional Attractions: New Mexico Tech is located in Socorro (population ~8500), in the scenic Rio Grande River Valley of central New Mexico, with a relatively low cost of living for the desert southwest, and the campus is situated in a residential area. The nearby Magdalena mountains and numerous desert canyons provide excellent opportunities for hiking, climbing, and mountain biking. The Bosque del Apache National Wildlife Refuge, located just south of Socorro along a major north-south flyway, offers some of the best birding in the United States. Socorro is about an hour south of Albuquerque with its many attractions and convenient airport access.