



## **Catalysts for Sustainability**

**Ric Edelman College of Communication & Creative Arts: Open-rank, Tenure-track Professor (Assistant or Associate Professor)**

### **Description:**

The Ric Edelman College of Communication & Creative Arts (Edelman CCCA) at Rowan University welcomes applications from creative communicators to join Edelman CCCA September 1, 2022 as part of Rowan's Catalysts for Sustainability cohort. Successful candidates will demonstrate a commitment to public advocacy as well as research and/or creative expertise related to climate, biodiversity, and/or environmental justice. Ideal candidates will use their knowledge and skills to convey the magnitude, urgency, and impact of the climate and biodiversity crises to a wide audience that includes students, policy makers, industry leaders, change-makers, and the public at-large, with the intention of catalyzing change and accelerating action. In addition, they will demonstrate a commitment to promoting diversity, equity, and inclusion, recognizing the disproportionate impact of the climate and biodiversity crises on those less advantaged, less heard, and less protected. Along with contributing to the department, college, and university through service, the successful candidate will be instrumental to the wider Catalysts for Sustainability initiative.

Rowan University's newly launched Catalysts for Sustainability program seeks to hire ten new faculty to develop, advance, and communicate solutions to humanity's most pressing existential threats posed by the climate and biodiversity crises. The university-wide cohort will lead and collaborate across colleges, disciplines, and communities, catalyzing new initiatives in sustainability research, advocacy, and education while leveraging existing strengths. This project builds upon Rowan University's strategic pillars (access, affordability, quality, and serving as an economic engine) and furthers our commitment to diversity, equity, and inclusion.

Both the field and rank of this position are open. Faculty will have a tenure-track/tenured home in one or more of the Edelman CCCA's six departments, which include Art, Communication Studies, Journalism, Public Relations and Advertising, Radio, Television, & Film, and Writing Arts.

**Qualifications:**

Successful candidates will:

- Have a terminal degree in their field or equivalent (by September 1, 2022)
- Demonstrate expertise related to the climate and biodiversity crises in one or more of the following areas: environmental justice; education and public engagement including storytelling; public policy and advocacy; discipline-specific sustainability scholarship; and sustainability practice.

**Application Deadline:**

Review of applications begins December 15, 2021 and will continue until the position is filled for a start date of September 1, 2022.

**How to Apply:**

Interested candidates should submit, as a single pdf through the online application system: (1) a letter of application; (2) a curriculum vitae; (3) a statement of teaching philosophy; (4) a statement on diversity, equity, and inclusion; and (5) a description of research and/or creative agenda (provide a single website link to creative work if applicable). In their written application, candidates should emphasize the cross-disciplinary and public-facing nature of their work. Finalists will be asked to provide three current letters of recommendation. For more information, please contact search committee co-chairs Dr. Candace Kelley ([kelleyc@rowan.edu](mailto:kelleyc@rowan.edu)) and Dr. Jennifer Kitson ([kitson@rowan.edu](mailto:kitson@rowan.edu)).

**General Information:**

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For more information about Edelman CCCA, its departments and programs, and its mission, visit <https://cca.rowan.edu>.

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