The Computational Media Department at the University of California, Santa Cruz (UCSC) invites applications for a tenure track Assistant Professor faculty position. We seek outstanding applicants with an established record of research in the area of generative methods, ideally connecting novel technology research with practices of design and/or interpretation. Applicants should have an established research record in one or more aspects of generative methods, including (but not limited to): procedural content generation for games (levels, art assets, non-player character AI, virtual worlds, etc.), procedural generation of complete games or game-like experiences, computational creativity, procedural computer graphics techniques, mixed initiative creativity support systems, artificial life and artificial life based media experiences, computational cinematography, computational arts and crafts, parametric design, generative music for games or computational media experiences, procedural generation of language or narrative in media experiences.

The faculty member in this position will be expected to develop a research program, advise graduate students in their research area, obtain external funding, develop and teach courses (including technically oriented courses) within the undergraduate and graduate curriculum, and perform university and professional service. The successful candidate must be able to work with students, faculty and staff from a wide range of social and cultural backgrounds. We are especially interested in candidates who can contribute to the diversity and excellence of the academic community through their teaching, research, and/or service.

RANK: Assistant Professor

SALARY: Commensurate with qualifications and experience; academic year (9-month) basis

BASIC QUALIFICATIONS: Ph.D. or equivalent foreign degree in Computer Science, Digital Media, Human Computer Interaction, Computer Games, Computational Media or other relevant field, expected to be conferred by June 30, 2016; demonstrated record of research; and, teaching experience (demonstrated by college level teaching experience, TA experience, research presentations and/or professional training seminars).

POSITION AVAILABLE: July 1, 2016, with academic year beginning September 2016. Ph.D. must be conferred by June 30, 2017 for employment beyond that date.

TO APPLY: Applications are accepted via the UCSC Academic Recruit online system, and must include a letter of application, curriculum vitae, a statement of research plans, a statement of teaching interests, 3–5 selected publications, and 3-4 confidential letters of reference.* Applicants are invited to submit a statement addressing their contributions to diversity through research, teaching, and/or service. Documents/materials must be submitted as PDF files.

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CLOSING DATE: Review of applications will begin on January 18, 2016.
To ensure full consideration, applications should be complete and letters of recommendation received by this date. The position will remain open until filled, but not later than 6/30/2016.

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