

**ACAS Report to Academic Council  
February 8, 2017**

**14 Tenure-track search requests submitted**

(any searches approved would occur in 2017-18, with a start date of 2018-19)

<b>Department/Program</b>	<b># positions</b>	<b>Field</b>
American Studies	1	Asian-American studies
Biological Sciences	2	Aquatic biology and molecular genetics
Chemistry	1	Organic chemistry
Cognitive & Linguistic Sciences	1	Sociolinguistics
Computer Science	3	1) Software design & engineering; 2) media science; and 3) machine learning & artificial intelligence
Economics	1	open
French	1	19th-century literature with sub-fields in WGST, Digital Humanities, the Novel
Neuroscience	1	open
Physics	1	Experimental physics
Spanish	1	Spanish Renaissance and/or Baroque literature, possible secondary field in early modern Portuguese literature
Women's & Gender Studies	1	Feminist history, U.S. focus

**ACAS Communications Policy**

The Advisory Committee on Academic Staffing (ACAS) values the perspectives of all members of the College community regarding the questions of academic staffing on which we are called to deliberate. To give all members of the community an equal opportunity to provide their input on the staffing requests before us, each year ACAS will publish a list of the requests for staffing that have been submitted, and invite written comments on them from College faculty, staff and students. The goal of this policy is for ACAS to be as informed as possible about the merits of each staffing proposal.

ACAS invites groups or individuals wishing to comment on staffing matters to send us information they deem useful to our deliberations. We will not normally meet with such groups or individuals, though we may on occasion initiate meetings with departments, programs or other faculty groups.

Send comments to ACAS, c/o Ruth Frommer, by email or letter.