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Townsend Named Governor's Teaching Fellow

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Tiffanie Townsend, Ph.D., assistant professor of Art History in the Betty Foy Sanders Department of Art, has earned the Governor's Teaching Fellowship Award from the Institute of Higher Education and the Center for Teaching and Learning at the University of Georgia.

Established in 1995 by Governor Zell Miller, the Governor's Teaching Fellows (GTF) Program is designed for faculty members who teach at accredited public or private colleges or universities in the state of Georgia to address a statewide need to improve undergraduate instruction. Programs focus on an array of instructional, technological and professional topics that emerge from the interests and needs of the participants. Faculty are selected on the basis of their teaching experience, their ability to have an impact on their own campuses and on a strong commitment by their home institution for release

time and other forms of support for the duration of their participation. Any full-time, regular faculty member can apply. The GTF Program represents a strong and tangible commitment to the continuing development of both public and independent higher education in the state of Georgia.

"I am thrilled and flattered to have been chosen," said Townsend. "I am very excited to have this opportunity."

Recently promoted to Associate Professor of Art History, effective August 1, Townsend teaches a wide range of survey and upper level courses highlighting ancient through rococo art history. A faculty member for nine years, she earned her bachelor's degree in art history from the University of Tennessee, Knoxville. She earned her master's and doctorate degrees from the University of Georgia in Athens.

A native of Nashville, Tennessee, Townsend is a member of the Sixteenth Century Society, the Renaissance Society of America, the Italian Art Society and the Southeastern Regional Middle East and Islamic Studies Society.

Read more about Townsend's accomplishment in the [2014 Summer edition of *Georgia Southern Magazine*](#).

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