

Stephen Simmerman

Assistant Professor of Art and Visual Communication

Professor Simmerman started teaching at Mount Olive College in Fall 2009.

Education

Master of Fine Arts
Savannah College of Art & Design, 2002
Savannah, Georgia
Major: Graphic Design

Master of Arts
East Tennessee State University, 1995
Johnson City, Tennessee
Major: English

Bachelor of Arts
East Tennessee State University, 1987
Johnson City, Tennessee
Major: English
Minor: Art

Associate of Arts
Emmanuel College, 1985
Franklin Springs, Georgia

Courses Taught

Design I, Illustration, Fundamentals of Typography; Type, Text and Pictures; Graphic Design II, and Portfolio

Professional Experience

Professor Simmerman has worked as a designer for over twenty years, and has taught for over a decade in North Carolina, Tennessee, and Georgia. His interests include creative writing, photography, painting, and archaeology. Corporate identity, editorial illustration, and poster design are among his favorite explorations in graphic design.

Current Projects and Interests

Having worked in a variety of positions involving pre-press, writing, editing, and print design, Professor Simmerman enjoys melding his professional experience with teaching students the whole design process. He has collaborated with a range of clients in government, medical, and corporate arenas. Most recently, he began a series of artwork centered around the theme of musicians, as another of his passions is music: jazz, bluegrass, gospel, and blues.

Goals as an Educator

Professor Simmerman's goals as an educator include facilitating students in developing creative problem-solving skills and discovering the synergy between text and image.