

Department: Africana Studies

Faculty Hire Number: 21-13

Rank: Assistant Professor, Tenure-Track

Effective Date of Appointment: August 23, 2021
(Contingent upon Provost's approval and budget considerations)

Salary: Dependent upon qualifications

CSUN's Commitment to You:

CSUN is committed to achieving excellence through teaching, scholarship, learning and inclusion. As both an AANAPISI & HSI (Asian American and Native American Pacific Islander Serving Institution & Hispanic Serving Institution), CSUN welcomes candidates whose experience in teaching, research, or community service has prepared them to contribute to our commitment to diversity and inclusive excellence. Our values include a respect for all people, building partnerships with the community and the encouragement of innovation, experimentation and creativity. CSUN strives to cultivate a community in which a diverse population can learn and work in an atmosphere of civility and respect. CSUN is especially interested in candidates who make contributions to equity and inclusion in the pursuit of excellence for all members of the university community.

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About the Department:

For more information about the department, see: <https://www.csun.edu/social-behavioral-sciences/africana-studies>

Qualifications:

The successful candidate must hold a Ph.D. in Africana Studies/Black Studies with a specialization in History or a Ph.D. in History with a specialization in Africana/Black History from an accredited institution. Candidates must be grounded in theoretical and Africana Studies disciplinary approaches to exploring issues related to Africana peoples, and must demonstrate a commitment and ability to successfully teach, mentor and work with a diverse undergraduate student population. We seek an interdisciplinary scholar who possesses a record of academic excellence that promotes the Department of Africana Studies' mission to investigate areas of the Black experience that have been marginalized, neglected or distorted by white supremacy and racial oppression, and that identifies and appreciates the historic achievements, challenges, and substantive contributions of peoples of African descent to world civilization and culture. The ideal candidate for this position will demonstrate a clearly defined research agenda that contributes to African-centered scholarship, with a similar spirit of advocacy, commitment to social justice, and service to the Africana community.

At time of appointment, the successful candidate, if not a U.S. citizen, must have authorization from the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) to work in the United States.

All positions are contingent upon Provost's approval and budget considerations.

Responsibilities:

Primary responsibilities include teaching 100 to 400-level courses in African American History and the African Diaspora (e.g., African American History to 1865, African American History Since 1865, Classical African Civilizations, Traditional African Cultures, History of Caribbean Societies Since the 1830's). Other courses may be taught depending upon the candidates' field of specialization. The successful candidate will also provide support to the department's major by assisting with advising and mentoring students pursuing the major and minor, as well as participating in the Department's programmatic, community engagement and service-related activities.

The successful candidate will be held to the standards and requirements of the college and department in which he/she is housed for recommending tenure and promotion.

Application Deadline:

Screening of applications will begin **February 15, 2021**. **Priority will be given to applications received by January 10, 2021**; however, the position will remain open until filled.

Applications must include a cover letter, current curriculum vitae, a research statement that explicitly situates the candidate's scholarship within the stated discipline, a writing sample (up to 15 pages, double-spaced), and a teaching dossier (including a teaching statement, two sample syllabi of relevant courses, and teaching evaluations from recent courses taught). We seek candidates who value diversity, and whose research, teaching and service bear out our commitment to equity, racial and social justice.

Applicants must provide the name and contact information of three references. Applicants remain responsible for ensuring that referees submit recommendation letters (on letterhead, dated, and signed) by the closing date. In later phases of the search process, applicants may be requested to provide verification of terminal degrees, licenses and certificates.

How to Apply:

This institution is using Interfolio's ByCommittee to conduct this search. Applicants for this position receive a free Dossier account and can send all application materials, including confidential letters of recommendation, free of charge to: <http://apply.interfolio.com/80711>.

General Information:

In compliance with the Annual Security Report & Fire Safety Report of Campus Security Policy and Campus Crime Statistics Act, California State University, Northridge has made crime-reporting statistics available on-line [here](#). Print copies are available by request from the Department of Police Services, the Office for Faculty Affairs, and the Office of Equity and Diversity.

The person holding this position may be considered a 'mandated reporter' under the California Child Abuse and Neglect Reporting Act and is required to comply with the requirements set forth in [CSU Executive Order 1083](#) as a condition of employment.

A background check (including a criminal records check) must be completed satisfactorily before any candidate can be offered a position with the CSU. Failure to satisfactorily complete the background check may affect the application status of applicants or continued employment of current CSU employees who apply for the position.

CSUN is an Equal Opportunity Employer and prohibits discrimination on the basis of race, color, ethnicity, religion, national origin, age, gender, gender identity/expression, sexual orientation, genetic information, medical condition, marital status, veteran status, and disability. Our nondiscrimination policy is set forth in [CSU Executive Order 1096](#). Reasonable accommodations will be provided for applicants with disabilities who self-disclose by contacting the Department of Africana Studies at (818) 677-3311.