Department: Urban Studies and Planning

Effective Date of Appointment: Academic Year 2019-2020

About the University:
One of the largest universities in the country, California State University, Northridge (CSUN) is an urban, comprehensive university that delivers award-winning undergraduate and graduate programs to nearly 40,000 students annually and counts more than 330,000 alumni who elevate Southern California and beyond. Since its founding in 1958, CSUN has made a significant and long-term economic impact on California, generating nearly $1.9 billion in economic impact and more than 11,700 jobs each year. The LAEDC recognized CSUN as its 2015 Eddy Award winner for its positive economic impact. Serving more students on Pell Grants than any other institution in California, CSUN is also a social elevator and one of the most diverse universities in the country. CSUN ranks 13th in awarding bachelor’s degrees to traditionally underserved students and enrolls the largest number of students who are Deaf and hard-of-hearing of any U.S. state university. The journal Nature recently named CSUN a Rising Star for scientific research, and the NSF ranks CSUN in the top five nationally among similar institutions for graduates who go on to earn doctorates in the sciences. CSUN is where individuals rise. And through them, so does Greater Los Angeles and beyond.

About the College:
The College of Social and Behavioral Sciences includes the departments of Africana Studies, Anthropology, Criminology and Justice Studies, Geography and Environmental Studies, History, Political Science, Psychology, Social Work, Sociology, and Urban Studies and Planning. We are committed to student success and inclusive excellence. The college incorporates the study of the challenges of urban America in a multi-ethnic setting, and provides a superior liberal arts education set across the disciplines of the social sciences. The college has approximately 150 full-time faculty members and an enrollment of approximately 6100 undergraduate students and 500 graduate students.

About the Department:
The mission of the Department of Urban Studies and Planning is to prepare students, at both the undergraduate and graduate level, for professional careers in urban studies and planning. In addition, the department seeks to provide a broad based educational experience, set in the context of the social sciences, which contributes to the development of informed and thoughtful individuals prepared to contribute to the society at large. Department faculty supports the mission through teaching, research and publication, community outreach and action, and university service.

CSUN’s Commitment to You:
CSUN is committed to achieving excellence through teaching, scholarship, learning and inclusion. 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.

For more information about the University, visit our website at: http://www.csun.edu
ANTICIPATED NEEDS: URBS 660 – Planning Law

Note: All part-time faculty appointments are temporary and do not confer academic rank. Final determination of part-time teaching assignments is contingent upon student enrollment figures and funding.

Courses or Specialization (Specify time if appropriate)

This course will provide a background of the American legal system for non-law students and then focus on land use controls in the United States. Understanding the legal foundations for planning provides the professional planner with the ability to recommend, write and create effective policies and successfully implement those policies. Understanding issues of zoning, eminent domain, and takings effect what is permissible in plans. Planners also need to consider First Amendment and exclusionary zoning issues. To promote sustainability the legal frameworks regarding development controls, growth management, aesthetics and preservation are important to understand. Through reviewing case law, the planner will be better prepared to promote and defend their clients.

Qualifications

1. Completion of a J.D. is required.
2. Prior university or college level teaching in planning/urban studies with positive teaching evaluations preferred.
3. Professional work experience in legal aspects of land use and planning required.
4. Ability to teach/mentor a diverse student population.

Current Salary Range

Fractional amount of base salary ($4126 - $6180) paid in six monthly installments.

Application Process:

Applicants must submit a current resume and a cover letter which describes their contributions to diversity and designates specific courses or areas they are interested in teaching and, whenever possible, times available for teaching assignments. The resume should include educational background, prior teaching experience, evidence of scholarship, and/or related professional experience.

Application Deadline:
For AY 2019 – 2020: March 29, 2019

For Spring Semester 2019 Only: ________

Inquiries and applications should be addressed to:
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Paper application by US Mail or via e-mail to urban.studies@csun.edu and cc: to mirna.reyes@csun.edu
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 Recruitment Services at (818) 677-2101.