



AFRICAN AND AFRICAN DIASPORA STUDIES DEPARTMENT

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Open Rank Tenured / Tenure-Track Professor of Black Queer Diaspora Studies

Position Description:

The Department of African and African Diaspora Studies at the University of Texas at Austin invites applications for two full-time, open rank positions in black queer diaspora studies. Both appointments will begin at the start of the fall semester, academic year 2022-23. The successful candidates will have significant administrative experience, particularly in the field of black studies, and demonstrate a strong record of research, publication and teaching on gender and/or sexuality in Africa and/or the African Diaspora. We will give preference to scholars who attend specifically to the African continent, the Caribbean, Latin America, Europe, and/or the U.S. South and strongly encourage candidates who are fluent in an African diasporic language other than English to apply.

We seek applications from scholars who engage in humanistic or social science inquiry into black LGBTQ communities, black queer theory, and/or black queer cultural production. We hope to make at least one hire with an emphasis on the literary, visual and performing arts. All candidates must be committed to building and promoting black queer diaspora studies at The University of Texas by cultivating intellectual community across disciplines; teaching undergraduate and graduate courses related to black queer studies and related topics at the introductory and advanced levels; actively engaging in service, such as participating on and chairing search committees; organizing lecture series and other related programming; and mentoring and recruiting faculty, graduate students, and postdoctoral fellows. Historically, Queer Studies and Black Studies have had strong links to Women's and Gender Studies, a tradition we hope to continue. The ideal candidates will help the department to strengthen its relationship with the Center for Women's and Gender Studies (CWGS) and the LGBTQ Studies Program. All University of Texas faculty engage in simultaneous research, teaching, and service. We strongly encourage applications from scholars with a doctorate in African and/or African Diaspora studies or another black studies equivalent. We also welcome applicants with doctorates in traditional disciplines and interdisciplinary fields whose career-long scholarship has been on queer people of African descent.

Applicants must hold a Ph.D. for appointment.

Application instructions:

The priority application deadline for this position was October 15, 2021; however, applications are being accepted until the position is filled. Please submit a cover letter, list of references, a sample of scholarly writing (30 pages maximum length), and curriculum vitae to the following link: <https://faculty.utexas.edu/career/81639>. We are interested in candidates who will contribute



<https://www.aaihs.org/resources/af-am-job-openings/>

to diversity and equal opportunity in higher education through their teaching, research and service. Applicants are encouraged to discuss in their cover letter, or a separate statement, their past or potential contributions to diversity, equity and inclusion through their research, teaching and/or service. Semi-finalists will be invited to participate in an on-campus interview.

Salary is competitive and commensurate with experience and qualifications. Position funding is subject to budget availability.

Please address any inquiries about the position to the search committee Co-Chairs Dr. Lyndon K. Gill at lyndonkgill@utexas.edu or Dr. Simone Browne at sbrowne@austin.utexas.edu.

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