

Submitter Institution: San Diego State University

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Department: Africana Studies

Position Title: Afrolatinidad Assistant Professor

Institution is Seeking: The Department of Africana Studies at San Diego State University seeks a scholar with expertise in the Black experiences of Latin America and who can expand our teaching on the diverse cultural expressions and histories of African descendant populations. We are particularly interested in scholars who have a focus in the areas of the Afrolatinidad social movements that have grown in the region over the last few decades, the hybrid religious expressions that fuse aspects of Christianity with traditions that are indigenous to the Americas and rooted in the trans-Atlantic experience, or the expanding African immigration to the region to include the growth of African Muslims, and whose expertise include an examination of the imbrication of indigeneity, Blackness, caste, and unique processes of racialization in Latin America. Additionally, the scholar should demonstrate an understanding of indigeneity as an intersecting identity. Further, the scholar's research should interrogate the intersection of power, culture, society, and behavior from a culturally centered perspective. We seek applicants who have a commitment to an engaged student-centered teaching pedagogy and a demonstrated interest in and vision for the future of Africana Studies, and whose research applies to the needs and interests of Africana communities in Latin America. The hire is also expected to work collaboratively with the Center for Latin American Studies and the Center for Brazilian Studies. We are open to any disciplinary subfield trajectory within the humanities or social sciences and would favor a scholar that works in the digital humanities. The successful candidate should meet the following requirements: Ph.D. in Africana Studies/African American Studies or a very closely related field; Strong record and promise of scholarly



accomplishment appropriate to level of appointment; Research interests that contribute to diversity and integrate understanding of underrepresented populations and communities; Commitment to student-centered teaching of a diverse student population; Record of service in Africana communities. Commitment to working collaboratively with colleagues and communities in and out of the university to develop social justice-oriented scholarship and pedagogical practices

Qualifications:

Candidates must meet two (2) or more of these eight (8) criteria:

1. Is committed to engaging in service with underrepresented populations within the discipline
2. Has demonstrated knowledge of barriers for underrepresented students and faculty within the discipline
3. Has experience or demonstrated commitment to teaching and mentoring underrepresented students
4. Has experience or has demonstrated commitment to integrating understanding of underrepresented populations and communities into research
5. Has experience in or has demonstrated commitment to extending knowledge of opportunities and challenges in achieving artistic/scholarly success to members of an underrepresented group
6. Has experience in or has demonstrated commitment to research that engages underrepresented communities
7. Has expertise or demonstrated commitment to developing expertise in cross-cultural communication and collaboration
8. Has research interests that contribute to diversity and equal opportunity in higher education.

Application Procedures:

To ensure full consideration, apply via Interfolio by January 15, 2021. All additional inquiries should be addressed to the search committee chair Dr. Sureshi M. Jayawardene, Department of Africana Studies, San Diego State University. Email:

sjayawardene@sdsu.edu.

Other Information: https://apply.interfolio.com/81427?fbclid=IwAR2f2NQICH1aMIDFVfK8q3YKeA7xOAk2cqpCqmXMPql2p_yR_3CJMgFNB0V4

Application Deadline: January 15, 2021

Do not post after: January 16, 2021