

**Submitter Institution:** University of Texas at El Paso

**Submitter Phone:** 915-747-7822

**Department:** History

**Position Title:** Assistant Professor of History (African Diaspora)

**Institution is Seeking:** The History Department at the University of Texas at El Paso invites applications for a historian of African Diaspora (Assistant Professor) to begin in the fall of 2022. Scholars whose work brings new and innovative insights to the study and teaching of the African Diaspora, while engaging the historical, contemporary and global experiences, representations and cultural contributions of Africans and people of African descent throughout the African Diaspora, are especially encouraged to apply. The successful applicant will have a research interest in Africa and African Diasporic history in a global context. Additional interest in borders, migration, social justice movements or other related issues that will allow her or him to contribute broadly to our doctoral program in History, are welcome.

This program, which has about 35 students, capitalizes on our location on the U.S.-Mexico border, but encompasses both conceptual and comparative borderlands in global context. The successful candidate will contribute substantively to the African American Studies Program, mentor undergraduates and supervise doctoral students, bolster our Department's commitment to Public History and community engagement, and collaborate with faculty across the University. Salary is competitive and commensurate with qualifications and experience.

Requirements A Ph.D. in History, African Diasporic Studies or closely related field required at time of appointment.

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the westernmost tip of Texas, where three states and two countries converge along the Rio Grande, UTEP is a public research university that transforms lives. Ninety-four percent of UTEP's nearly 25,000 students are minorities, and many are the first in their families to go to college. At UTEP, students have access to 168 bachelor's, master's and doctoral degree programs in eight colleges and schools. UTEP is the only open-access, top tier research university in America, yet its retention rates exceed those of selective institutions. Located in the second-most educated city in Texas, UTEP is recognized as one of the best research universities in the country for connecting students with the community around them. It is one of only 28 institutions in the U.S. and 3 in Texas to hold both top tier research and community engagement distinctions from the Carnegie Foundation. UTEP advances discovery of public value and positively impacts the health, culture, education and economy of the community it serves. With more than \$108 million in total annual research expenditures, the University is ranked among the top 5% of colleges and universities in research and fifth in Texas for federal research expenditures at public universities. The University employs approximately 4,000 faculty, staff and students. It has one of the lowest out-of-pocket costs of any research university in the U.S., underscoring its commitment to offer an exceptional education at a great value. Almost 25% of graduates from the poorest backgrounds reach the top income quintile, placing UTEP in the top 10 universities in the United States for social mobility. Application Instructions Review of applications will begin December 1, 2021, and will continue until the position is filled. All applicants must submit a letter of interest, curriculum vita, writing sample, transcripts, and contact information of three reference writers. Letters of recommendation will be requested separately of candidates going into the first round of interviews. Additionally,

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