

University of Delaware

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Job No: 499128

Work Type: Faculty

Location: Newark

Categories: Africana Studies, Full Time

University of Delaware: College of Arts and Sciences

Department of Africana Studies

Open Rank Film, Media, and Visual Studies

and

Open Rank Visual and Material Culture Studies

The Department of Africana Studies (<https://www.africanastudies.udel.edu/>) in the College of Arts and Sciences seeks to make two, tenure-line appointments in the areas of Film, Media, Visual and Material Culture Studies. We will make one hire at the assistant professor rank and one at the associate/full professor rank. The start date for these positions is August 16, 2023.

FILM, MEDIA, AND VISUAL STUDIES: The ideal candidate should demonstrate a critical engagement with film, media, visual studies from an Africana/African American Studies perspective.

VISUAL AND MATERIAL CULTURE STUDIES: The ideal candidate should demonstrate a critical engagement with Visual Studies and Material Culture Studies from an Africana/African American Studies perspective.

QUALIFICATIONS AND RESPONSIBILITIES:

Candidates are expected to have a Ph.D. or appropriate terminal degree in African-American/Africana Studies, or a related field including but not limited to English, Communication, Film Studies, Art, Art History, History, Cultural Studies, and Ethnography. Applicants who are ABD will also be considered, but must have their Ph.D. or terminal degree in hand by August 1, 2023.

Successful candidates will also demonstrate a strong record of excellence in rigorous research and scholarship and innovative teaching in these areas. The teaching load is two courses per

semester and candidates are expected to teach a range of undergraduate and graduate courses.

ABOUT AFRICANA STUDIES:

The Department of Africana Studies at the University of Delaware is a vehicle for change in Delaware and in the world. Committed to advancing the study of the rich and varied experiences of Black people across the African Diaspora, the department's mission is to apply the production of knowledge to uplift and empower Africana communities and individuals, and to inspire social change and permanent liberation. The Department has a renowned history in scholarship and teaching and an award-winning faculty. It offers a B.A. and a Minor in Africana Studies and boasts a new graduate program with M.A., B.A./ M.A (eligible for undergraduate AFRA majors and minors) and a graduate certificate. AFRA faculty also support the [Community Engagement Initiative](#) and [AAPHI](#) (African American Public Humanities Initiative), a graduate initiative serving doctoral students in Art History, English and History.

Together, the Africana Studies faculty at UD cultivate and advance the department's mission to engage in research that is accessible and relevant to Black communities and to practice teaching that develops deeper and broader understandings of justice and freedom in our society. Our teaching is central to our mission, as Africana faculty view our classrooms as sites of change-making toward more just futures.

Faculty teaching and research interests and student major concentrations intersect the department's four pillars: Pan-African Consciousness, Public Humanities, Gender and Sexuality Studies, Visual and Material Culture. Africana faculty are able to participate in numerous interdisciplinary research centers at UD, such as the Winterthur Program in American Material Culture, Center for Material Culture Studies, Interdisciplinary Humanities Research Center, Museum Studies, and Center for History of Architecture and Design.

More information about the Department is available at: <http://www.africanastudies.udel.edu/>.

ABOUT THE COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES AND THE UNIVERSITY:

Located in scenic Newark, Delaware, within 2 hours of New York, Philadelphia, Baltimore, and Washington, D.C., the [College of Arts and Sciences](#) at the University of Delaware offers exceptional educational experiences including integrated instruction, research and public engagement. With 24 academic departments and more than 25 centers, programs and institutes, the College serves close to 7,000 undergraduate students and over 1,000 graduate students with CAS majors, but also every single University student through foundational course work. The College's 600 faculty members emphasize the enduring value of an arts and science education and share a deep commitment to excellence in scholarship and all forms of creative and intellectual expression. The College has departments in the arts, humanities, social sciences and natural sciences, and features outstanding research and teaching facilities. Faculty and staff encourage and support innovative interdisciplinary collaborations and students engage local, national and global audiences through research and creative activity. With annual research expenditures of approximately \$38 million and growing, the College currently houses several large, interdisciplinary grants with significant funding from the NIH and NSF.

The University of Delaware (www.udel.edu) is one of the nation's oldest institutions of

higher education, combining tradition and innovation. The university recognizes and values the importance of diversity and inclusion in enriching the experience of its employees and in supporting its academic mission. We are committed to attracting and retaining employees with varying identities and backgrounds, and we strongly encourage applications from educators from under-represented groups. UD provides equal access to and opportunity in its programs, facilities, and employment without regard to race, color, creed, religion, national origin, gender, age, marital status, disability, public assistance status, veteran status, sexual orientation, gender identity, or gender expression.

APPLICATION PROCEDURE: Review of applications will begin September 10, 2022, and the positions will remain open until filled. Applicants should upload the following application materials:

- a letter of application should indicate the specific position applied for and describe the focus of current research activities, in addition to qualifications
- a current curriculum vitae (CV)
- If applying at assistant rank, a writing sample (no more than 30 pages) or other evidence of scholarly/creative productivity (i.e., documentation of exhibitions and/or screenings, or a curated digital portfolio),
- names and contact information for three professional references

For additional information about the positions, please contact Cheryl D. Hicks, Search Committee Chair, at cdhicks@udel.edu.

SALARY AND BENEFITS: Compensation packages are highly competitive and commensurate with experience and qualifications. The [UD benefits package](#) is one of the best in the nation.

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Applications close:

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