

The newly established Department of Black Study (DBS) at the University of California, Riverside invites applications for one tenured position at the Associate or Full Professor level in Black Study, beginning July 1, 2023. Candidates will be firmly grounded in Black study. Duties include building an exciting, evolving department with a plan for a graduate program. While engaging through multiple disciplines and methodologies, Black Study critically addresses and seeks to overcome all forms of anti-Blackness while imagining and prefiguring an altogether new world by deeply engaging Black epistemologies in the African continent and its diasporas. The UCR faculty building a Department of Black Study envision and seek to practice Black Study as a fundamentally collaborative, relational, intersectional, as well as transformative endeavor that is theoretically, methodologically, and epistemically hybrid. We seek scholars, artists, and practitioners specializing in interdisciplinary and transdisciplinary contemporary creative, spiritual, and community practice and whose work engages Blackness and Black Study in discourses of disability, queer, speculative or futurist imaginaries, Black radical feminism, the Black radical tradition, Black queer critique, among other areas. Thanks to a grant from the UC Office of the President, this position has significant funding for early-career research and professional development.

Duties will include building and teaching at the undergraduate level (course load is currently four courses per year on the quarter system), student supervision and mentoring, facilitate off-campus community interactions, connections with research and the dissemination of research appropriate to a research university setting, and service. The newly established Department of Black Study is currently seeking to initiate a graduate program in Black Study. Therefore, graduate level teaching and a commitment to graduate training/mentoring is a requirement.

Education and demonstrated experience:

- Minimum basic qualifications (must be met by time of application): Required qualifications are a terminal degree in the area of specialization or related field (e.g. Ph.D., MFA) or a prior university appointment or equivalent professional experience along with evidence of national or international recognition for creative achievements appropriate to an academic environment. Those who are eligible for tenure at time of appointment will be considered.
- Preferred qualifications: Educational background in Black Study or related field.

Required documents:

- Cover letter
- CV
- One-page (single-spaced) statement of research interests, accomplishments, and future plans. Please describe how teaching and research relate to Black Study and/or Black Radical Traditions.
- One-page (single-spaced) statement of past and/or planned future contributions to advancing diversity and inclusive excellence
- Teaching portfolio consisting of a one-page (single-spaced) statement of teaching philosophy, 1-2 sample syllabi, and recent teaching evaluations from 2-3 courses Please describe how teaching and research relate to Black Study and/or Black Radical Traditions.
- Writing sample or excerpt of no more than 30 manuscript pages or 25 published pages
- For Full Professor 3 references and contact information are required at time of application and will be solicited through the AP Recruit system at a later time.

- For Associate Professor three letters of reference are required at time of application. Letters will be solicited through the AP Recruit system at the time of application and only completed applications that include letters of reference will be reviewed by the committee.

Applications and materials will be submitted using UCR's online application system located at <https://aprecruit.ucr.edu/JPF01672>

To ensure full consideration, applications and supporting material should be received by December 5, 2022. Salary will be commensurate with education and experience. The position will remain open until filled.

Advancement through the faculty ranks at the University of California is through a series of structured, merit-based evaluations, occurring every 2-3 years, each of which includes substantial peer input.

For more information about the position, please contact the Search Committee Chair, Dr. Anthony Jerry, Department of Black Study/Department of English, at anthonyj@ucr.edu.

UCR is a world-class research university with an exceptionally diverse undergraduate student body. Its mission is explicitly linked to providing routes to educational success for underrepresented and first-generation college students. A commitment to this mission is a preferred qualification.

The University of California is an Equal Opportunity/Affirmative Action Employer. All qualified candidates will receive consideration for employment without regard to race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, national origin, age, disability, protected veteran status, or any other characteristic protected by law.

University of California COVID-19 Vaccination Program Policy

As a condition of employment, you will be required to comply with the University of California SARS-CoV-2 (COVID-19) Vaccination Program Policy (https://policy.ucop.edu/doc/5000695/SARS-CoV-2_Covid-19). All Covered Individuals under the policy must provide proof of Full Vaccination or, if applicable, submit a request for Exception (based on Medical Exemption, Disability, and/or Religious Objection) or Deferral (based on pregnancy) no later than the applicable deadline. Please refer to Appendix F, Section II.C. of the policy for the deadlines applicable to new University of California employees. Federal, state, or local public health directives may impose additional requirements.