

Faculty Full-Time  
Assistant/Associate Professor African American Studies  
20<sup>th</sup> Century African American Literature

The African American Studies Program at the University of Florida, College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, invites applications for a full-time, nine-month, tenure track position at the level of Assistant/Associate Professor to begin August 16, 2022. Specialization: 20<sup>th</sup> Century African American Literature. The new faculty member will play a central role in moving the current program in African American Studies towards departmental status. We are, therefore, seeking a candidate who has experience in curriculum and departmental development. The African American Studies Program seeks to hire faculty broadly engaged in research that is field-bridging, and which will add to our program's intellectual diversity, as well as better reflect the interests of our undergraduate students.

A Ph.D. in African American Studies is preferred, or a terminal degree in a related field. The successful applicant will demonstrate a commitment to the African American Studies program's mission and values. We are particularly interested in candidates who combine rigorous and original scholarship, with community engagement.

The program strives to provide innovative, compelling, and strategic research and teaching to both academic audiences as well as the local and national community. Core strategic priorities include:

- Research that examines the African American experience in a transnational context from a broad base of disciplinary theories;
- Community-based outreach and learning; and
- Teaching and skills development that introduces students from all disciplinary areas to African American intellectual history, critical theory, and professional development.

Successful applicants are expected to teach two courses per fall and two courses per spring semester, with a mix of introductory and advanced undergraduate courses. The ability to develop experiential learning opportunities for undergraduates and excel in mentoring undergraduate research and experience in developing a department. Salary is competitive and commensurate with qualifications and experience, and includes a full benefits package.

UF is ranked the 5<sup>th</sup> best public university in the United States by US News and World Report 2022, with exceptional research, teaching, and a university-wide commitment to diversity. Applicants are encouraged to visit the unit's website <https://afam.clas.ufl.edu/> to learn more about the African American Studies Program.

For full consideration, applications must be submitted online at <https://apply.interfolio.com/82852> and must include:

- a) Cover letter
- b) Current curriculum vitae
- c) Statement of research interests/plans
- d) Statement of teaching interests/philosophy
- e) Sample publication
- f) The names and email addresses of 3 potential referees who can comment on the quality of scholarship/teaching. If applying for a position at the rank of Associate Professor, the potential referees must be of equal or higher rank, and able to comment on quality of research, teaching, engagement, and/or service.

Review of applications will begin **November 1, 2021**, and continue until the position is filled. All candidates for employment are subject to a pre-employment screening which includes a review of criminal records, reference checks, and verification of education. All applications should be submitted via interfolio, at <https://apply.interfolio.com/82852>.

Questions may be directed to Dr. Akintunde Akinyemi, Chair, Steering Committee, at [akinyemi@ufl.edu](mailto:akinyemi@ufl.edu).

The selected candidates will be required to provide an official transcript to the hiring department upon hire. A transcript will not be considered “official” if a designation of “Issued to Student” is visible. Degrees earned from an educational institution outside of the United States require evaluation by a professional credentialing service provider approved by the National Association of Credential Evaluation Services (NACES), which can be found at <http://www.naces.org/>.

As articulated in the goals of the university, the college values faculty who embrace diversity and inclusion in research, teaching, and service. The University of Florida is an Equal Opportunity Institution dedicated to building a broadly diverse and inclusive faculty and staff. Minorities, women, and individuals from other under-represented groups are strongly encouraged to apply. The selection process will be conducted in accordance with the provisions of Florida’s Government in the Sunshine and Public Records Laws. If an accommodation due to disability is needed to apply for this position, please call [\(352\) 392-2477](tel:(352)392-2477) or the Florida Relay System at [\(800\) 955-8771](tel:(800)955-8771) (TDD).