

The Department of English Language and Literatures at the University of British Columbia (Vancouver) invites applications for a tenure-track appointment in **African / Black Diaspora Studies** at the level of assistant professor with anticipated start date of **July 1, 2020**. Candidates should demonstrate an active engagement with the theories and methodologies currently informing the field of African / Black Diaspora Studies and the study of African / Black Diaspora literatures and cultures.

The Department of English Language and Literatures at UBC has a newly enhanced curriculum that features courses in the literatures and cultures of Africa. We also have courses on anticolonial, decolonial and postcolonial studies, on Global South connections and on migration and transnational networks. This appointment may also contribute to a number of curricular and research initiatives in the Faculty of Arts, including the African Studies minor, the Institute for Critical Indigenous Studies, and the Social Justice Institute.

Equity and diversity are essential to academic excellence. An open and diverse community fosters the inclusion of voices that have been underrepresented or discouraged. We encourage applications from members of groups that have been marginalized on any grounds enumerated under the B.C. Human Rights Code, including sex, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, racialization, disability, political belief, religion, marital or family status, age, and/or status as a First Nation, Métis, Inuit, or Indigenous person (the latter understood broadly in its global context). Applicants are asked to include, as part of their application materials, a separate statement describing past experience that promotes diversity and inclusion, broadly understood and/or plans to make future contributions to more inclusive representation of racialized minorities in the applicant's core discipline(s), in the academy more broadly, and/or affiliate institution(s).

Applicants must have a PhD or provide solid indication of imminent completion. Applicants should have publications and experience teaching at the post-secondary level; they are expected to provide strong evidence of active and excellent research, and demonstrate a record of, or potential for, high quality teaching at the undergraduate and graduate levels.

The successful candidate will be expected to teach at the graduate and undergraduate levels and in introductory literature courses as well as specialist area courses. The successful candidate will also be expected to maintain an active program of scholarly research leading to publication, effective teaching, graduate supervision, and service.

For information about the programs, faculty research interests, and general activities of the Department of English Language and Literatures visit: <https://english.ubc.ca>

To ensure full consideration, applicants should submit their applications online through the Department of English Language and Literatures' Internal Resources website at: <https://engl.air.arts.ubc.ca/position-34984>, and be prepared to upload the following in the order listed: a letter of application, curriculum vitae, a description of current and future research interests, statement of teaching philosophy, the one-page diversity statement referred to above, a sample of ongoing research preferably in the form of published material, and evidence of

teaching effectiveness. Applicants should also arrange to have confidential letters from three referees sent to english.recruitment@ubc.ca by the same deadline.

Applications and all supporting materials should be received by December 15. Review of applications will begin soon after this date and will continue until the position is filled.

This position is subject to final budgetary approval. Salary will be commensurate with qualifications and experience.

Queries should be addressed to:

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All qualified candidates are encouraged to apply; however, Canadians and permanent residents will be given priority.