Department Of Anthropology

Refer to Requisition #: 105052 on all correspondence and inquiries regarding this position.

OUR COMMITMENT

Sonoma State University offers an exceptional educational experience that fosters intellectual, cognitive, social, and personal growth. As the only member of the Council of Public Liberal Arts Colleges in California, we are uniquely positioned to foster ethical exploration, civic engagement, social responsibility, and global awareness combined with a solid foundation in an academic discipline. We have a strong commitment to graduating students who have the ability to think critically and communicate effectively in an ever-changing world. The unique campus culture fosters our Seawolf Commitment to integrity, respect, excellence, and responsibility and is integrated into all campus life. We nurture inclusive excellence through a celebration of the rich diversity of our local communities and our interconnected global economy. Members of the University community are expected to work effectively with faculty, staff, and students from diverse ethnic, cultural, and socioeconomic backgrounds. We are fully committed to the rights of students, staff and faculty with disabilities in accordance with applicable state and federal laws. SSU is especially interested in candidates who make contributions to equity and inclusion in the pursuit of excellence in teaching, scholarship, and service.

THE UNIVERSITY

Sonoma State University’s beautiful 274-acre campus is located in Sonoma County wine country, an hour north of San Francisco. The campus offers the ideal setting for teaching and learning and access to a community of rich cultural, environmental, and recreational opportunities. Founded in 1960, Sonoma State University is one of the 23 campuses of the California State University System. As members of the largest public higher educational system in the nation, we provide accessible, high quality education to more than 9,000 students. Sonoma State University is proud to be a Hispanic Serving Institution committed to achieving the goals of equal opportunity and endeavors to employ faculty and staff reflecting the ethnic and cultural diversity of the region and state.

THE DEPARTMENT

Anthropology as a discipline studies the foundations and forms of human social and cultural diversity, past and present, via biology, behavior, language, and material culture. Anthropology as a practice applies this knowledge to the solution of human challenges. Anthropologists study how human beings have come to be as they are: a physically distinct species, communicating through language, adapted to every habitat on earth, and living in an amazing variety of lifeways. Anthropologists have led in developing a global and local perspectives on how culturally different peoples interact in contexts of power and inequality, and how humans continuously transform their ways of life in response to environmental and social change.
The Anthropology Department offers a B.A. in Anthropology, a minor in Anthropology, and an M.A. in Cultural Resources Management (CRM). Committed to an integrated, four-field approach in anthropology, the current full-time faculty consists of one linguistic anthropologist, one cultural (medical) anthropologist, one archaeologist, one bioarchaeologist, and one biological anthropologist.

Prospective applicants are encouraged to see the department’s Web page at:

http://anthropology.sonoma.edu

**DUTIES OF THE POSITION**

The Department of Anthropology anticipates a number of part-time, temporary teaching opportunities. We are looking for individuals who can teach one or more of the following courses as needed on a semester by semester basis.

Archaeology: Introduction to Archaeology (a 3-unit lower division course for majors); upper division courses in Historical Archaeology (4 units); Archaeology of North America (4 units); Archaeology of Complex Societies (a 3-unit General Education course); Archaeology of Contact and Colonization (4 units); New Technologies in Archaeology and Cultural Heritage (4 units); Research in California Prehistory (4 units); Bioarchaeology (4 units); Archaeology and the Bible (4 units); or a topical course in the applicant’s area of specialization (4 units).

Biological Anthropology: Introduction to Biological Anthropology (a 3-unit lower division course for majors and General Education students); upper division courses in Human Development in Evolutionary Perspective (a 3-unit General Education course); Primate Behavioral Ecology (4 units); Observing Primate Behavior (4 units); Human Osteology (methods) (4 units); Human Behavioral Ecology (4 units); Forensic Anthropology Methods (4 units); Forensic Anthropology Theory and Practice (4 units); Evolution of Males and Females (4 units); Human Fossils and Evolution (4 units); or a topical course in the applicant’s area of specialization (4 units).

Cultural Anthropology: Introduction to Cultural Anthropology (a 3-unit lower division course for majors and General Education students); Living in Our Globalized World (a 3-unit lower division General Education course); upper division courses in Applied Ethnographic Methods (4 units); Anthropology and the Environment (4 units); Global Issues (4 units); Tourism and Culture (4 units); or a topical course in the applicant’s area of specialization (4 units).

Historic Preservation: Practicum in the National Register of Historic Places (a 2-unit course for Cultural Resource Management graduate studies focusing on architectural history and historic preservation).

Linguistic Anthropology: Introduction to Linguistic Anthropology (a 3-unit lower division course for majors and General Education students); upper division courses in Language, Culture, and Society (4 units); Language Change (4 units); Studies of Language Use (methods) (4 units); Language in Sociopolitical Context (4 units); or a topical course in the applicant’s area of specialization (4 units).

**PROFESSIONAL QUALIFICATIONS**

To be recommended for appointment, the candidate must have:

A Ph.D. in Anthropology with specialization in the subdiscipline(s) relevant to the courses that the applicant proposes to teach. A.B.D.s, M.A.s, and Ph.D.s in related disciplines with sufficient teaching, work, and/or research experience in the area of specialization will be considered. Experience teaching in hybrid and/or online modalities, and with Canvas LMS or similar is desirable.
RANK AND SALARY

Full-time is 15-unit workload per semester. Actual salary is dependent upon number of units assigned, educational preparation, and availability of funds subject to any CSU system faculty contract salary increases.

- Selection as a candidate in the applicant pool, does not guarantee employment. Temporary Faculty appointments are made on a part-time, temporary basis and contingent upon department needs and funding.
- Temporary Faculty appointments are made on a semester-by-semester basis.
- Relocation expenses will not be provided for temporary faculty appointments.
- Expenses incurred to attend an interview for temporary faculty positions are not reimbursed by the University.

HOW TO APPLY

Do not send materials to facultysearch@sonoma.edu. To apply for this position, go to jobs.sonoma.edu and click on the External Applicant link under the Legacy Jobs Site section. If you are not currently employed at Sonoma State University, register a new account. If you are currently employed at Sonoma State University, log in with your SSU username and password. You will be redirected to a list of all available jobs at Sonoma State University. Find and select the faculty position you are applying for to view the description and select Apply Now. If you have not applied for a job at Sonoma State University previously you will be asked to Register Now in order to proceed. At the initial stage of the application, you will be prompted to upload a resume. Please combine your CV and cover letter into one PDF document and upload it in place of the resume. Once you have submitted the application, a confirmation email will be automatically sent to you. If you encounter difficulties during the application process, please email facultysearch@sonoma.edu.

Please submit:

Required

- Application letter
- Curriculum vitae
- Student evaluations
- Contact information for 3 references
- List of courses proposed to be taught

Optional

- Statement of Research Interests
- Teaching Philosophy

Official transcripts are required at the time of hire.

Application procedures for temporary faculty already teaching in the department:
Temporary Faculty with three-year contracts do not need to reapply.

Temporary Faculty who have taught for the department within the past two years only need to submit a Lecturer Qualified Course Form and updated CV to remain in the pool. The hiring committee will review the Personnel Action File and then determine whether an additional interview would be beneficial.

Sonoma State University hires only individuals lawfully authorized to work in the United States. All offers of employment are contingent upon presentation of documents demonstrating the appointee’s identity and eligibility to work, in accordance with the provisions of the Immigration Reform and Control Act. **Sonoma State University does not facilitate the process of applying for an H1B Visa for temporary positions.**

**APPLICATION DEADLINE**

The deadline to apply is March 29, 2021.

Questions concerning the *application process* may be directed to: facultysearch@sonoma.edu

Questions concerning this *position* may be directed to:

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**OTHER INFORMATION**

The university is an Affirmative Action/Equal Opportunity Employer. We consider qualified applicants for employment without regard to race, religion, color, national origin, ancestry, age, sex, gender, gender identity, gender expression, sexual orientation, genetic information, medical condition, disability, marital status, or protected veteran status.

This position is considered a “mandated reporter” under the California Child Abuse and Neglect Reporting Act and is required to comply with the requirements set forth in CSU Executive Order 1083 as a condition of employment.

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