

JOB DESCRIPTION

Job Title: Assistant to Associate Professor, African and African Diaspora History

Location: Global Studies University, The Africa Institute (AI), Sharjah, United Arab Emirates

Expected Starting Date: For immediate hire

Job Status: Full-time

The Africa Institute (Global Studies University), Sharjah, UAE, is seeking applications for the position of Assistant or Associate Professor in African and/or African Diaspora history within the Department of Humanities. The successful candidate must be specialized in research related to one or more region within the African continent and preferably have expertise in teaching and/or research in African diaspora history. Preference is for a historian with interest in African and African Diaspora intellectual history and political thought, and related movements such as Pan-Africanism, Negritude, and decolonization among others.

The appointed individual will be responsible for teaching two courses per semester in history, totaling four courses throughout the academic calendar. Additionally, he/she will provide guidance to graduate students and actively contribute to the vibrant interdisciplinary community within the Department and beyond. This is a full-time, 9-month position beginning in the Fall of 2024, at The Africa Institute located in Sharjah, UAE.

Applicants are required to have a Ph.D. in African historical studies at the time of appointment. The successful candidate will be expected to engage in an active program of scholarly research and publication, participate in committees, and supervise student research, master's thesis, and doctoral dissertations. Faculty members at the institute contribute to the development of an innovative, interdisciplinary curriculum and provide students with diverse learning experiences through a combination of teaching, research, and service.

How to Apply

To apply, interested individuals must electronically submit a letter of application, CV, and the contact information of three scholarly references. The application should also include a statement of teaching philosophy, showcasing successful teaching experience, and addressing strategies for serving a classroom with diverse backgrounds. Additionally, candidates should provide a statement outlining their research activities, a writing sample consisting of either a published journal article, a book chapter, or a dissertation chapter. The writing sample should be roughly equivalent in length to a standard academic journal article. All applications should be sent to careers@theafricainstitute.org, and the subject line for the email should be the position being applied to.



Application Deadline

The position is open until filled. The starting date of employment is Fall 2024.

About The Africa Institute, GSU, Sharjah, UAE:

The Africa Institute is a globally oriented institution of research, documentation, study and teaching of Africa and its diaspora, in the humanities and social sciences. It is conceived as a research-based think-tank, and a postgraduate studies institution (offering both master's and Ph.D. programs, and diplomas in African Languages and Translation), which aims to train a new generation of critical thinkers in African and African diaspora studies. The Africa Institute is proposed to be a model center of excellence in research, teaching, and documentation that is hoped to match in quality and breadth of coverage, existing peer of African and African Diaspora Studies in Africa, Europe, and North America. The Africa Institute is now integrated into the newly established Global Studies University (GSU) to form one of the networks of semi-independent institutes and colleges, each concentrating on different regions of the world. These globally oriented institutions aim to focus on postgraduate studies, research, and documentation of histories, cultures, and peoples who constitute different regions of the world. The next entity to be officially established in 2024 is The Asia Institute, College of Asian Studies. Preparations are also underway to launch additional colleges and institutes that will focus on the regions of Oceania, Europe, and the Americas in the next few years. For more information please see: www.theafricainstitute.org

**We anticipate a high number of applications and will do our best to respond to any queries. Please note that only shortlisted applicants will be contacted in the first instance.*

**Salary and further compensation commensurate with degree and experience. Benefits package includes health insurance, housing, and transportation, children school fees allowances subject to coordination of benefits.*

**The Africa Institute, Global Studies University is committed to fair employment practices and encourages women and men of all national, ethnic and religious backgrounds to apply and join our expanding team. UAE nationals are encouraged to apply.*

