Tenure-Track Appointment in African American Literary Studies

The Department of English Language and Literature (Faculty of Arts and Science) at Queen’s University in Kingston, Ontario, invites applications for a Tenure-track faculty position at the rank of Assistant Professor with specialization in African American literary studies, with a preferred starting date of July 1, 2018.

Candidates with expertise in critical or comparative race studies are especially encouraged to apply, as are those with a demonstrated ability to situate their research and teaching in broader regional or disciplinary contexts, such as hemispheric/transnational studies, diaspora/migration studies, and/or urban/ethnic studies.

Candidates must have a PhD or equivalent degree completed at the start date of the appointment; in order to be considered for the position applicants not yet holding the degree must have a scheduled defence date. The main criteria for selection are academic and teaching excellence. The successful candidate will provide evidence of high quality scholarly output that demonstrates potential for independent research leading to peer assessed publications and the securing of external research funding, as well as strong potential for outstanding teaching contributions at both the undergraduate and graduate levels, and an ongoing commitment to academic and pedagogical excellence in support of the department’s programs. Candidates must provide evidence of an ability to work collaboratively in an interdisciplinary and student-centred environment. The successful candidate will be required to make substantive contributions through service to the department, the Faculty, the University, and/or the broader community. Salary will be commensurate with qualifications and experience. This position is subject to final budgetary approval by the University.

The University invites applications from all qualified individuals. Queen’s is committed to employment equity and diversity in the workplace and welcomes applications from women, visible minorities, Aboriginal peoples, persons with disabilities, and LGBTQ persons. All qualified candidates are encouraged to apply; however, in accordance with Canadian immigration requirements, Canadian citizens and permanent residents of Canada will be given priority.

To comply with federal laws, the University is obliged to gather statistical information as to how many applicants for each job vacancy are Canadian citizens / permanent residents of Canada. Applicants need not identify their country of origin or citizenship; however, all applications must include one of the following statements: “I am a Canadian citizen / permanent resident of Canada”; OR, “I am not a Canadian citizen / permanent resident of Canada”. Applications that do not include this information will be deemed incomplete.
A complete application consists of:

- a cover letter (including one of the two statements regarding Canadian citizenship / permanent resident status specified in the previous paragraph);
- a current Curriculum Vitae (including a list of publications);
- a statement of research interests;
- a statement of teaching interests and experience (including teaching outlines and evaluations if available);
- a writing sample of an article or chapter length; and,
- three letters of reference addressed to Dr. Shelley King, Head, Department of English Language and Literature and emailed directly to Karen Donnelly at donnelly@queensu.ca.

The deadline for applications is November 1, 2017. Applicants are encouraged to send all documents in their application package electronically as PDFs to Karen Donnelly at donnelly@queensu.ca, although hard copy applications may be submitted to:

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Department of English Language and Literature  
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The University will provide support in its recruitment processes to applicants with disabilities, including accommodation that takes into account an applicant’s accessibility needs. If you require accommodation during the interview process, please contact Karen Donnelly in the Department of English at donnelly@queensu.ca, phone number 613-533-6000 Ext. 74445.

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