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Posting End Date

December 31, 2021

Note: Applications will be accepted until 11:59 PM on the day prior to the Posting End Date above.

Faculty of Creative and Critical Studies

Department of English and Cultural Studies

Environmental Justice and Cultural Studies

Job Title: Assistant Professor (Tenure-Track)

The Cultural Studies program at the University of British Columbia's Okanagan campus in Kelowna invites applications for a tenure-track faculty position in Environmental Justice and Cultural Studies. The Cultural Studies program focuses on media and popular cultures as well as theories of identity and power, with research and teaching strengths in critical media analysis, critical theory, decolonization, creative activism, feminist environmental humanities, and community engaged research/pedagogy. This new position is designed to enhance and expand upon the program's strengths. We are particularly interested in candidates who specialize in environmental racism and who make use of anti-oppressive and intersectional frameworks. Research and teaching might focus on one or more of the following areas: transnational climate justice; landback movements and other Indigenous-led responses to environmental injustice; environmental justice from Black Studies perspectives; Black/POC-Indigenous solidarity in relation to environmental justice; climate change, migration and refugee studies; issues relating to colonialism and environment in the Global South; or other areas of study that examine the relation of racism and environmental issues. The position will be held in the Department of English and Cultural Studies, in the Faculty of Creative and Critical Studies, and will begin on July 1, 2022.

The Appointment Committee will begin reviewing applications on Nov. 15, 2021. Candidates must have a completed Ph.D., or equivalent, in Cultural Studies or a related field, an active scholarly profile, demonstrate high-quality experience in, or potential for, research and publication, as well as demonstrated excellence of or potential for, relevant teaching at the undergraduate and graduate levels. Candidates are invited to provide relevant context. The successful candidate will be expected to maintain an active program of research, teaching, graduate supervision, and service, and to engage with the interdisciplinary nature of the Faculty of Creative and Critical Studies. The successful candidate will be responsible for teaching introductory Cultural Studies courses as well as developing and teaching new upper-level courses in Environmental Justice. Salary is competitive and commensurate with qualifications and experience.

The Faculty of Creative and Critical Studies offers both discipline-based and interdisciplinary programs at the undergraduate and graduate level across a wide range of subject areas in the humanities and fine arts. Faculty in Cultural Studies provide supervision and teaching in the English MA program as well as Interdisciplinary Graduate Studies (IGS) themes, including: Sustainability; Digital Arts and Humanities; Global Studies; and Community Engagement, Social Change, and Equity. The ideal candidate will have a strong commitment to Indigenous engagement. UBC's Okanagan campus is located in the unceded territories of the Syilx/Okanagan nation. As part of the University's response to the Truth and Reconciliation Commission's Calls to Action, UBC Okanagan has committed to supporting and implementing five key commitments, which can be found at <https://ok.ubc.ca/about/indigenous-engagement/>. For a full list of our programs, please consult the Faculty's web page at <https://fccs.ok.ubc.ca/>.

In accordance with UBC's equity plan, and pursuant to Section 42 of the BC Human Rights Code, preference will be given to Indigenous, Black, and People of Colour applicants. Applicants who are Indigenous, Black, or People of Colour are requested to self-identify in their application.

Application materials must include the following:

- A letter of application of no more than two pages;
- complete curriculum vitae;
- a statement of teaching philosophy of no more than two pages, with emphasis on Cultural Studies teaching, and including brief descriptions of potential upper-level courses
- evidence or record of teaching effectiveness (e.g. peer evaluation, awards or commendations, student evaluation.) Applicants are invited to contextualize this evidence, as appropriate;
- a research plan of no more than two pages;
- one example of scholarly research; and,
- the names of three referees who have agreed to submit letters of reference, if requested.

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