Assistant Professor of French and Francophone Studies

The Department of French and Francophone Studies at Brown University seeks to hire a full-time tenure-track Assistant Professor, beginning Fall 2022, to teach a broad range of courses at the undergraduate and graduate levels.

We seek candidates with scholarly expertise in Francophone literature from one or more of the following regions: Sub-Saharan Africa, the Caribbean, the Maghreb, Canada, the Indian Ocean. The ideal candidate will show evidence of thoughtful intellectual engagement with the broader conceptual fields of critical race studies and/or postcolonial theory. Candidates holding a secondary specialization in contemporary politics and society (including migration studies), film, gender studies or the environmental humanities are especially encouraged to apply.

Brown’s Department of French and Francophone Studies offers a rich and diverse undergraduate curriculum, ranging from beginner’s French to advanced courses in literature, culture and critical theory; a small but robust undergraduate concentration (major); and a nationally competitive PhD program. The successful candidate will teach one language course (coordinating a multi-section course where required) and two literature/culture courses at the undergraduate or graduate levels per year. In addition to contributing substantively to the curriculum, undergraduate and graduate-level advising and other faculty roles within the Department of French and Francophone Studies, the ideal candidate would participate actively in the intellectual life of the University through collaborations with such centers as the Cogut Institute for the Humanities, the Center for the Study of Slavery and Justice, the Center for the Study of Race and Ethnicity in America, the Center for Latin American and Caribbean Studies, and the Pembroke Center for Teaching and Research on Women.

Qualifications
Candidates should have a PhD (or equivalent degree) in French Language and Literature or in Comparative Literature (with a specialization in French/Francophone Studies), in hand by August 2022; a strong and innovative research agenda; demonstrated excellence in teaching; sound training in and/or a real interest in language pedagogy; and native or near native proficiency in French and English.

The Department of French and Francophone Studies values diversity and inclusion as essential to achieving excellence, and especially encourages applications from those belonging to groups historically underrepresented in French literature departments.
Criteria for this search will include past and potential future contributions to diversity, equity, and inclusion in teaching, advising and scholarship.

Application Instructions
Applicants are invited to submit the following materials via Interfolio [apply.interfolio.com/93829]: a cover letter, a current curriculum vitae, a research statement, a statement of teaching philosophy, and a sample of written scholarship (in French or English) not exceeding 25 pages. The application must include three letters of support (at least one of which should address teaching), submitted directly by recommenders through Interfolio. Email and paper applications will not be accepted. To ensure full consideration, all materials should be submitted by November 20.

The search committee plans to conduct initial interviews via Zoom in January. Public health conditions permitting, three finalists will be invited to two-day in-person campus visits in February.

For inquiries email <mary_oliver@brown.edu>.

Brown University is committed to fostering a diverse and inclusive academic global community; as an EEO/AA employer, Brown considers qualified applicants for employment without regard to, and does not discriminate on the basis of, gender, race, color, national origin, sexual orientation, religion, protected veteran status, disability, or any other legally protected status.