

The Department of Spanish and Portuguese at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign invites applications for a **full-time tenure-track Assistant Professor position in Latin American literatures and cultures**, with a focus on 19th to 21st century strongly preferred. The ideal candidate will show evidence of a well-defined research agenda in cultural and literary studies centered on Mexico, Central America, and/or the Andean region. Preference will be given to candidates whose research focuses on one or more of the following thematic and critical clusters: indigeneity/Afro-indigeneity, environment/society, equality/social justice, or identity and communities.

Candidates should show evidence of excellence in teaching and a firm commitment to student mentorship and curricular innovation. The person appointed will be expected to promote innovative interdisciplinary collaboration in research and/or teaching across our campus and beyond.

A PhD in Spanish, Latin American Literatures and Cultures, or related field is required. Candidates with superior qualifications who will complete all the Ph.D. requirements within the first appointment year may be appointed at the rank of Lecturer. After the Ph.D. requirement is met, the appointment will be changed to Assistant Professor. Professional level proficiency in Spanish and English is required. Knowledge of Portuguese or any indigenous languages spoken in Latin America, is a plus. Applicants must have a strong research record, or a promising research agenda, and a strong record of teaching.

Application materials must be submitted online at: <http://jobs.illinois.edu>. Only applications submitted through the University of Illinois job board will be considered.

Applicants must submit a letter of interest, curriculum vitae and the contact information for three professional references. The search committee may contact the applicant about soliciting letters of reference at a later point, after a first review of the files.

Applicants must also provide two sample publications and/or dissertation chapters; and evidence of excellence in teaching (statistical summaries for two courses preferred).

To ensure full consideration, all required materials must be submitted by **October 16, 2017**. The target starting date of appointment is August 16, 2018. Salary is commensurate with qualifications and experience. The University of Illinois conducts criminal background checks on all job candidates upon acceptance of a contingent offer.

For further information regarding application procedures, please contact SLCL-HR@illinois.edu.

The University of Illinois is an Equal Opportunity, Affirmative Action employer. Minorities, women, veterans and individuals with disabilities are encouraged to apply. For more information, visit <http://go.illinois.edu/EEO>. To learn more about the University's commitment to diversity, please visit <http://www.inclusiveillinois.illinois.edu>