



THE OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY
COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES

Department: Comparative Studies
Position: Race, Science, and Technology
Rank: Assistant Professor (tenure-track)

Description:

The Department of Comparative Studies at The Ohio State University invites applications for a tenure-track position in Race, Science, and Technology at the rank of assistant professor. We seek a dynamic, innovative scholar whose research and teaching engage the intersections of race, science, and technology. In keeping with the department's commitment to interdisciplinarity, we are especially interested in scholars who incorporate approaches and theoretical insights from multiple fields of study, including critical race theory, public health, disability studies, data justice, history and philosophy of science and medicine, or others. Area of geographic focus is open as are specific topics of research. Experience in and/or commitment to public-facing or community engaged scholarship is preferred. The department greatly values diversity and inclusive pedagogy.

This position will play a critical role in shaping OSU's interdisciplinary and interdepartmental program in Science and Technology Studies (STS). STS is the fastest growing area in Comparative Studies. The successful applicant will have opportunities to teach across all levels of our curriculum, including introductory and upper-level undergraduate courses and graduate seminars, to advise undergraduate and graduate students, and to contribute to curriculum development. They will find mentors and conversation partners among faculty both within and outside the department engaged in research on topics such as race, the body, religion, science, data, technology, health, and medicine. Depending on the nature of the candidate's scholarship, they will have opportunities to collaborate with other programs within the College of Arts & Sciences and across the university, including the Wexner Medical Center, the STEAM Factory, the College of Engineering, and the Kirwan Institute for the Study of Race and Ethnicity, in areas such as medical humanities, environmental humanities, and digital humanities.

The position is partially funded by [Ohio State's Global Arts and Humanities Discovery Theme](#), a significant faculty hiring investment in key thematic areas through which the university can build on its culture of academic collaboration to make a global impact.

Qualifications:

This appointment will begin August 15, 2022, and the successful applicant must have PhD in hand by the start of employment. The PhD may be in any relevant field of study; ABDs welcome to apply. We seek candidates whose research and teaching clearly engage the intersections of race, science, and technology, whether in the United States or in other parts of the world. Demonstrated commitment to interdisciplinary scholarship and inclusive pedagogy are required. Appointment is contingent on the university's verification of credentials and other information required by law and/or university policies, including but not limited to a criminal background check.

About Columbus:

The Ohio State University campus is located in Columbus, the capital city of Ohio. Columbus is the Midwest's fastest-growing city and the nation's 14th largest city. Columbus offers a diverse array of welcoming neighborhoods and a vibrant arts and culture scene. Additional information about all that the Columbus area has to offer is available at <https://visit.osu.edu/experience>.

Application Instructions:

Apply to Academic Jobs Online at: <https://academicjobsonline.org/ajo/jobs/19611>. A complete application for initial consideration consists of a cover letter, curriculum vitae, and equity engagement statement. The cover letter should be no more than three pages and should address your strengths in research, teaching, service, and engagement. The equity engagement statement should offer evidence of your demonstrated commitments and capacities to contribute to diversity, equity, and inclusion through research, teaching, mentoring, and/or outreach and engagement. Review of these materials will begin on October 22, 2021. Applicants advancing to a second round of consideration will be invited to submit a writing sample, teaching and research statements, and three letters of recommendation. These materials will be requested in early November. Review of applications will continue until the position is filled. Inquiries may be directed to Isaac Weiner, search committee chair, at weiner.141@osu.edu.

The Ohio State University is committed to establishing a culturally and intellectually diverse environment, encouraging all members of our learning community to reach their full potential. Over the next few years, The Ohio State University is committed to welcoming 350 new faculty hires, many of which will contribute to growing our role as a premier research university equipped to answer and interrogate the critical domestic and global societal challenges that deter equality and inclusion. We are responsive to dual-career families and strongly promote work-life balance to support our community members through a suite of institutionalized policies. The university is a member of the Ohio/Western Pennsylvania/West Virginia Higher Education Recruitment Consortium (HERC).

The Ohio State University is an equal opportunity employer. All qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation or identity, national origin, disability status, or protected veteran status.