# **STETSON UNIVERSITY** College of arts and sciences

# **POSITION:** Assistant Professor of Latin American History

Stetson University seeks a tenure-track Assistant Professor of Latin American History. Candidates with expertise in transnational and indigenous history, including precolonial history, the history of the Atlantic World, and/or Africana Studies, are encouraged to apply.

# **QUALIFICATIONS:**

Ph.D. in History, Latin American Studies, or a related field by August 2024. The successful candidate will have an active scholarly agenda and demonstrated excellence in teaching undergraduates in both general and specialized areas of history. Candidates who have experience working with students from diverse backgrounds and a demonstrated commitment to improving access to higher education for students from underrepresented groups are especially encouraged to apply.

# **RESPONSIBILITIES:**

The successful candidate will offer both lower and upper-division courses in their area of expertise, while participating in our vibrant Latin American and Latino Studies, Africana Studies, and General Education Programs, including First-Year and Junior Seminars. The candidate will have opportunities, if desired, to contribute to vibrant faculty-led international programs. For more information on our expectations in teaching and scholarship, our tenure policies, and our support for faculty development, please see the Academic Affairs website at <a href="http://www.stetson.edu/administration/provost/prospective-faculty/index.php">http://www.stetson.edu/administration/provost/prospective-faculty/index.php</a>

#### THE DEPARTMENT:

Stetson's Department of History (<u>https://www.stetson.edu/artsci/history/</u>) takes a rigorous, interdisciplinary approach to undergraduate liberal arts education. Our faculty are also committed scholars with strong publication records and a broad range of international and linguistic expertise. We benefit from our central location in a state that has a diverse Latina/o/x community that forms nearly 30% of the total population, and that has easy access to St. Augustine, Miami, and various Spanish colonial period archives, as well as direct flights to Latin America.

# **COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES:**

Stetson's College of Arts and Sciences (http://www.stetson.edu/portal/artsci/) is the largest and most diverse of the University's colleges and schools; it includes the humanities, social sciences, natural sciences, education, and creative arts. With nineteen academic departments and nine interdisciplinary programs, the College is the liberal arts core of the University. A great strength of the College is its faculty of approximately 150 full-time teacher-scholars. The College offers 38 undergraduate majors and 40 undergraduate minors; graduate degrees are offered in Education, Counselor Education, and Creative Writing. Every undergraduate major requires a senior research project, giving students the opportunity to design and carry out independent research under faculty mentorship. Our academic programs are shaped by the values of social justice and civic responsibility. All of our courses and programs of study promote engaged learning, whereby students create connections between the classroom or lab and the local, regional, and global community. The academic programs of the College of Arts and Sciences prepare students to live significant lives, to interact with and positively affect the world around them.

#### THE UNIVERSITY:

Founded in 1883, Stetson University (http://www.stetson.edu) is a private, selective university comprised of a rich array of liberal arts and professional academic programs. Collectively, Stetson's faculty works with nearly 3,700 students in undergraduate, graduate, and professional programs. The University's historic main campus, located in DeLand, enrolls more than 2,300 students in undergraduate programs in the College of Arts & Sciences, the School of Business Administration, and the School of Music. Stetson University College of Law, Florida's first law school, moved from the main campus to Gulfport in 1945, and, with the addition of the Tampa Law Center, serves approximately 1,000 students working full-time or part-time toward J.D. or LL.M. degrees. Graduate programs offered at the main campus include Business, Accounting, Educational Leadership, Counseling, and Creative Writing. Florida's oldest private institution of higher learning, Stetson has regularly been ranked among the best regional universities in the Southeast and was the first private college in Florida to be granted a chapter of Phi Beta Kappa.

Stetson University provides an inspiring education that engages students with rigorous academic and creative study grounded in liberal learning and promotes civic values of personal and social responsibility. Working closely with faculty and with one another, students cultivate abilities to explore issues deeply, think critically, reason empirically, speak persuasively, and connect ideas creatively. Firmly committed to inclusive excellence, our vibrant community of teacher-scholars nurtures the potential of individual students to lead lives of significance and prepares each to meet the challenges of shaping the future—locally, nationally, and globally.

# THE COMMUNITY:

DeLand is a picturesque residential community of 38,000 located 20 miles west of Daytona Beach and 35 miles northeast of Orlando. The area offers extensive cultural as well as recreational activities.

SALARY: Salary is competitive.

**STARTING DATE:** August 2024.

#### **APPLICATION:**

Applicants should supply: 1) a cover letter that includes a statement about the candidate's teaching and research interests, experience relevant to the position, and a discussion of how the candidate proposes to develop as a teacher-scholar; 2) a teaching portfolio, inclusive of teaching philosophy, sample syllabi, and student evaluations (if available); 3) a curriculum vitae; 4) transcripts (copies are acceptable for screening); 5) an article-length writing sample; and 6) three letters of recommendation that speak to the candidate's scholarship and teaching. In the cover letter, candidates are encouraged to highlight skills and experiences that demonstrate a commitment to social justice, diversity, and inclusion.

All information may be submitted electronically to Dr. Leander Seah, Search Committee Chair, via Caitlyn Alvarado at caalvarado@stetson.edu. While electronic submissions are preferred, alternatively application materials may be mailed to

Dr. Leander Seah, Search Committee Chair Department of History Stetson University 421 N. Woodland Blvd., Unit 8344 DeLand, FL 32723

Review of applications will begin November 1, 2023, and continue until the position is filled. The Department intends to conduct semifinalist virtual interviews in early December 2023.

Stetson University is an Equal Opportunity Employer that affirms cultural diversity and inclusion as a core value of academic excellence at Stetson University. We are committed to achieving equal access in education, employment, and participation through the recruitment and retention of outstanding faculty, staff, and students from diverse backgrounds, and to meaningful academic and intellectual transformation in curriculum, research and service. We are dedicated to actions and policies that foster a community in which individuals with various identities, cultures, backgrounds, and viewpoints work together to create opportunities for engagement through rewarding and fulfilling careers and personal experiences in a culturally and racially diverse society and a globalized world. We strongly encourage members of historically under-represented and economically-disadvantaged groups and women to apply for employment. Stetson University is an EEO, ADA, ADEA, and GINA employer.