

Howard University

Department of Political Science

The Department of Political Science in the College of Arts and Sciences invites applications for a tenure-track position at the rank of Assistant Professor with research interests in the area of **Comparative Politics**. The successful candidate will be prepared to conduct externally-funded research in the areas of comparative politics with a focus on: (1) women and gender issues broadly defined within their specific regional or thematic expertise and (2) social movements & contentious politics in the Black Diaspora. Regional specialization is open to all areas. We envision this position as expansive and methodologically diverse, concerned with how ongoing global changes intersect with historical patterns of power and dominance and how these factors affect current and future global discourses. The successful candidate will have a strong record of and ability to using online tools to design and teach distance learning courses at the graduate and undergraduate levels. The successful candidate will contribute to the International Affairs undergraduate major and also work closely with the Center for Women, Gender, and Global Leadership.

We seek outstanding applicants with a demonstrated track record of excellence in research and teaching. Successful candidates are expected to develop vigorous, extramurally funded research programs in their areas of expertise, actively participate in the Department's teaching and curriculum development at the undergraduate and graduate levels, and mentor undergraduate and graduate students. Evidence of interest and success in mentoring underrepresented minority students is highly desired.

Howard University, a culturally diverse, comprehensive, research intensive and historically Black private university, provides an educational experience of exceptional quality at the undergraduate, graduate, and professional levels to students of high academic standing and potential, with particular emphasis upon educational opportunities for Black students. Howard University is classified as a Doctoral University: Higher Research Activity research by the Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching. It is a residential campus of approximately 10,000 students located in the heart of the nation's capital, Washington, DC.

The Department of Political Science currently consists of 15 faculty members and offers BA, MA, and PhD degrees in political science. Founded in 1928 by Nobel laureate, diplomat Dr. Ralph J. Bunche, the Department counts Vice-President Elect Kamala Harris, U.S. Representative Elijah Cummings, and U.S. Representative Charles Diggs among its many prominent graduates. The only graduate program in political science in the world with a specialization in Black politics and currently the second-largest undergraduate major, POLS is also the leading department in International Affairs, the undergraduate Interdisciplinary major, and Community Development, the undergraduate Interdisciplinary minor.

Required Qualifications:

- Ph.D. in political science or related field (e.g., government, public policy, etc) from an accredited institution;

- Record of scholarship, teaching, and professional service commensurate with the rank of assistant professor;
- Effective communication and organizational skills; and
- Evidence of successful grant writing experience.

Complete applications consist of a single PDF file containing:

- 1) Cover letter addressing the qualifications listed above
- 2) Current curriculum vita
- 3) Two-page statement of research accomplishments, interests and future plans
- 4) Two-page statement of teaching experience and philosophy
- 5) A writing sample
- 6) Three letters of recommendation

Completed applications should be addressed to the Chair of the search committee: Dr. Richard Seltzer at ComparativePoliticsSearch@Howard.edu. Applications can be submitted electronically via Academic Jobs Online: <https://academicjobsonline.org/ajo/jobs/18073>. Screening will begin on February 24, 2021 and continue until the position is filled. The desired starting date is August 16, 2021. Additional details and information can be found at <http://coas.howard.edu>.

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