Sociology and Anthropology
Two Tenure Track Searches 2015-16

The Department of Sociology and Anthropology at St. Olaf College invites applications for two tenure-track positions in sociology that begin fall 2015. The appointments are expected at the assistant professor rank, and salary is competitive. A completed Ph.D. in sociology is strongly preferred.

We seek candidates with primary specialization on issues of race and class in the contemporary U.S. for one position and immigration to the U.S. from Asia or Africa for the other. We also seek candidates who can teach our required courses on quantitative research methods and sociological theory. Additional specialization on gender and / or sexuality is preferred. We will consider other secondary specializations complementing existing department members’ areas of expertise.

Primary teaching responsibilities for both positions will include introduction to sociology and one of the required core courses in the sociology/anthropology major (either quantitative methods or theory). Other teaching responsibilities for the first position may include such courses as race and class in the U.S., crime and inequality, and social movements. For the second, additional teaching responsibilities may include immigration and diasporas, gender in cross cultural perspective, and globalization. Opportunities exist for the development of additional topical courses. A full-time teaching load is six courses per academic year, and faculty have advising and committee responsibilities after their first year.

We seek candidates highly committed to the undergraduate experience, with demonstrated and potential excellence in teaching, research, and service to the College. Willingness to engage in collaborative research with students, including presentations at academic conferences and publications is strongly preferred. Candidates should also be ready to contribute to interdisciplinary programs and have a willingness to lead or develop off-campus study programs.

St. Olaf College is an academically rigorous, nationally ranked liberal arts college related to the Lutheran Church (ELCA). It is located in Northfield, Minnesota, 45 minutes south of Minneapolis/St. Paul, a vibrant and culturally rich metropolitan area. It is home to approximately 3,000 students and 800 faculty and staff. The department has six full-time members, three sociologists and three anthropologists, with a variety of interests and research projects in the U.S. and abroad. Our majors have strong interests in service as well as academic work, and we seek to help them combine both. Our department has strong ties with many interdisciplinary programs, including American Studies, Women's and Gender Studies, Race and Ethnic Studies, Family Studies, Latin American Studies, Middle Eastern Studies, and Asian Studies. We also collaborate with the Multicultural Affairs office and our institution's off-campus study programs.
We will begin to review applications on August 1, 2014 and will continue until the position is filled. We may conduct initial interviews at the annual American Sociological Association meeting in mid-August.

All applications must be submitted online at http://wp.stolaf.edu/hr/jobs/. A complete application will include:
- a cover letter
- a curriculum vitae
- a statement of teaching philosophy
- a statement of research and interest
- a graduate transcript
- names and emails of three references

General inquiries or questions about the application process may be sent to Christopher Chiappari, Search Committee Chair, at soan2015@stolaf.edu.

A liberal arts college affiliated with the Lutheran Church (ELCA), St. Olaf College is an affirmative action/equal opportunity employer and actively seeks diversity in its students, faculty and staff. The college is especially interested in qualified candidates who can contribute to the diversity of our community through their teaching, research, and/or service.

To provide a safe and secure educational environment, St. Olaf College verifies the accuracy of all credentials presented by applicants and conducts a criminal background check on every new hire.