Visiting Assistant Professor of African American Religions

New College of Florida
Division of Humanities, Sarasota, Florida 34243

Visiting Assistant Professor appointment in African American Religions with emphasis on Christianity/ies approved beginning August 2020. Ph.D. in Religion, African American Studies, or relevant field. Expertise in African American religions, Christianity, and the influence of African religious traditions on the Americas. Area of specialization and geographic focus open. Additional desirable competences: 1) intersection of religion, race, gender, and social justice, 2) history of Christian thought, and 3) theological, philosophical and/or ethnographic approaches to the study of religion. Applicants must have a promising research agenda and demonstrated ability to teach effectively at the undergraduate level. New College is a small, highly selective, liberal arts honors college within Florida’s public state university system and located on Sarasota Bay. Ph.D. in hand or dissertation completed by the date of appointment. Salary competitive. New College is currently embarked on an exciting campus-growth initiative funded by the State of Florida (see https://news.ncf.edu/news/new-college-of-florida-embarks-on-transformative-growth-plan/).

Teaching Expectations: Teaching load for visiting positions is two courses in Fall and three in Spring. Instructional work might also include a small number of individual or group tutorials, and supporting January-term independent study projects. New College encourages visiting faculty to develop courses that build on their own scholarly expertise in consultation with colleagues. We are particularly interested in candidates who have a demonstrated commitment to innovative undergraduate liberal arts teaching.

About New College: Situated on the Gulf Coast of Florida and Sarasota Bay, New College is a nationally recognized, selective public honors college with a 10:1 student/faculty ratio. Students are intellectually independent and highly motivated. Undergraduate research has a central role in the curriculum, and a senior thesis/project is required of all students. Students receive narrative evaluations in lieu of grades. New College is committed to recruiting and retaining a diverse faculty. Candidates from underrepresented groups, women, and those whose knowledge or skills support an inclusive culture and learning environment are especially encouraged to apply. New College prizes excellence in undergraduate teaching and research and encourages collaborative student-faculty scholarship. www.ncf.edu.

Application: Interested candidates should apply online at http://www.ncf.edu/employment, and copy materials to ReligionSearch@ncf.edu, to Miriam Wallace, Chair, Division of Humanities, and Chair of the Search Committee. Applications should provide a curriculum vitae, letter of application, writing sample, statement on how their teaching contributes to diversity, names of three references, and unofficial transcripts of graduate work. Please include three brief descriptions of proposed
courses including one Introduction to Christian tradition(s). New College of Florida is an Equal Opportunity Employer. We encourage inquiries from candidates who contribute to the cultural and ethnic diversity of our college. For accommodations, please contact Division of Humanities in advance at (941) 487-4360. EOE/AA/ADA/WMA. Website: http://www.ncf.edu.

Deadline: Review will begin 1 February, but applications will be accepted until the position is filled. According to Florida law, applications and meetings regarding applications are open to the public upon request. Applicants who need reasonable accommodations in order to participate in the selection process must notify the chair of the search committee 48 hours in advance of a meeting. New College is an Equal Opportunity/Equal Access Institution.