

SOCIOCULTURAL ANTHROPOLOGIST SPECIALIZING IN POLITICAL ANTHROPOLOGY

The University of California, Santa Barbara, Department of Anthropology, Sociocultural Anthropology, Archaeology, and Bioarchaeology (SAAB) Unit, invites applications for a tenure-track position at the Assistant Professor level, appointment to begin July 1, 2017. We seek a **sociocultural anthropologist** specializing in political institutions, processes, and cultures, with particular emphases on race and ethnicity. Relevant research concerns include state formation and statecraft; the politics of race and ethnicity; intersectionality; indigeneity; human rights; migration and citizenship; environmental justice; ethnographic approaches to political cultures and institutions. Other topical approaches will be considered but research must be based on ethnographic fieldwork and demonstrate strong theoretical foundations. Familiarity with interdisciplinary methods, including historical perspectives, is also desirable. Geographic area is open.

We seek an anthropologist of politics and power, as attention to indigenous movements, the hegemony of neoliberalism, and the reconfiguration of practices and discourses of class, race, and ethnicity associated with shifts in the global political economy and the advance of neoliberalism have transformed livelihoods, workplaces, political and educational institutions, and our natural and built environments. Competitive applicants will engage new configurations of racism and racial formations, indigeneity and sovereignty, environmental and political activism and neoliberal institutions. Critical approaches to race and to the institutional apparatus of racism, racial formations and intersectionality in line with the American Anthropological Association's current campaign to educate the broader public on the topic are welcome. We value as well scholars who promise to make innovative interventions in social and cultural theory based in original ethnographic research, and who have the ability to apply this research to addressing social problems in non-academic settings.

Candidates will be expected to teach the lower-division introductory course in sociocultural anthropology, upper-division undergraduate courses in areas related to the candidate's specialization, and to contribute to graduate training in research methods and sociocultural theory.

To explore our sociocultural program and faculty, see our website at:
<http://www.anth.ucsb.edu/graduate/specializations/sociocultural>.

Applicants must have completed the Ph.D. at time of appointment. Please apply and submit via (<https://recruit.ap.ucsb.edu/apply/JPF00720>): (1) a statement detailing research focus and experience; (2) a three-year research plan; (3) a one page statement on teaching aims and philosophy; (4) a curriculum vitae; (5) letters from three references; (6) and two

article length representative publications or writing samples. Please direct any questions to Professor James F. Brooks, Sociocultural Search Chair, at (searchsc16@anth.ucsb.edu). **For primary consideration submit application and materials on or before October 10, 2016.** The department is especially interested in candidates who can contribute to diversity and excellence of the academic community through research, teaching, and service. The University of California is an Equal Opportunity/Affirmative Action Employer and all qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, national origin, disability status, protected veteran status, or any other characteristic covered by law.