Department of History  
Associate Professor  
Public History

The faculty of the Department of History at the University of South Carolina, Columbia campus, invites applications for a 9-month, full time, tenured position at the rank of Associate Professor & Director of Public History to begin August 16, 2023.

Candidates must have PhD in History (field open) plus at least five years of academic or other relevant experience in Public History. Applicants with expertise in African American historic preservation, history of education and/or cultural heritage are especially encouraged to apply. Preference will be given to candidates with demonstrable success in seeking & receiving major grant funding and in engaged local and cultural and historical stakeholders. National recognition for Public History is also highly valued. Candidates must meet UofSC Department of History tenure & rank guidelines for appointment at the level of Associate Professor: https://sc.edu/about/offices_divisions/provost/docs/tenure/unit_criteria_tenure/history_2012.pdf.

The successful candidate will direct our storied public history program, teach graduate and undergraduate courses in public history, supervise Public History internships at all levels, serve on graduate thesis committees, and chair the department’s Public History committee. In addition, this position will manage relationships with a wide variety of campus, local, and regional public history partners, assist in the development and management of public history projects and grants, and have responsibility for curricular review and reform. The Public History Director will liaise with national groups and organizations such as: NCPH, NPS, NEH, IMLS, AASLH, and lead student recruitment efforts.

At the University of South Carolina, we strive to cultivate an inclusive environment that is open, welcoming, and supportive of individuals of all backgrounds. We recognize diversity in our workforce is essential to providing academic excellence and critical to our sustainability. The University is committed to eliminating barriers created by institutional discrimination through accountability and continuous process improvement. We celebrate the diverse voices, perspectives, and experiences of our employees.

From the Upstate to the Lowcountry, the University of South Carolina system is transforming the lives of South Carolinians through the impact of our eight institutions and 20 locations throughout the state. More than 50,000 students are enrolled at one of eight institutions, including the research campus in Columbia and comprehensive four-year universities in Aiken, Upstate and Beaufort. In addition, our Palmetto College campuses in Salkehatchie, Union, Lancaster and Sumter enable students to earn associate or bachelor’s degrees through a combination of in-person, online or blended learning. All of our system institutions place strong emphasis on service — helping to build healthier, more educated communities in South Carolina and beyond.

For more information about the Department of History please visit our website at https://sc.edu/study/colleges_schools/artsandsciences/history/index.php.

The University of South Carolina is an affirmative action, equal opportunity employer. Minorities and women are encouraged to apply. The University of South Carolina does not discriminate in educational or employment opportunities on the basis of race, sex, gender, gender identity, transgender status, age, color, religion, national origin, disability, sexual orientation, genetics, protected veteran status, pregnancy, childbirth or related medical conditions.

How to Apply

All applicants must apply online at USCJobs at https://uscjobs.sc.edu. Applications must include: (1) a cover letter that describes their research and teaching interests, (2) a curriculum vitae, and (3) the names and email addresses of 3 references, (4) a writing sample (article, chapter or narrative from a successful grant applications. Please submit letters of recommendation as well to: LoriCarey@sc.edu. Applications are not complete until at least 3 letters signed and on letterhead are received.

Applications will be accepted until position is filled. Review of applications will begin on Monday, November 7th, 2022. Inquiries about this position may be directed to Lori Carey, Department Coordinator at LoriCarey@sc.edu.