



**CAL STATE LA**

**Tenure-Track Faculty Position**  
College of Ethnic Studies

**Position:**

Department of Chicana/o and Latina/o Studies

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Assistant Professor with a focus on Central American Studies

**Starting Date:**

August, 2022

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**Minimum Qualifications:**

- 1) An earned doctorate (Ph.D.) in Ethnic Studies, Central American Studies, Chicana/o Studies, or Latin American Studies, or a relevant discipline in the Social Sciences or Humanities is required; however, applicants nearing completion of the doctorate (ABD) may be considered. For appointment, the doctorate must be completed by the date of appointment (8/18/2022).
- 2) Evidence of successful teaching experience at the undergraduate level.
- 3) Evidence of scholarly activities in the area of Central American Studies.

**Preferred Qualifications:**

- 1) Evidence of research and teaching focused on Central American communities from a transnational, diasporic, relational, or comparative lens. Specific areas of Central American studies include, but are not limited to: sociopolitical history, cultural production, literature, the politics of memory, Indigenous migrations, sexualities, urban ethnography, or Afro-Centroamericano communities.
- 2) Documented experience with community-engaged research, teaching, and practice with/in Central American transnational communities.
- 3) Evidence of successful teaching experience at the graduate level.

**Duties:**

The primary professional responsibilities of instructional faculty members are: teaching, research, scholarship and/or creative activity, and service to the University, profession, and to the community. These responsibilities generally include: advising students, participation in campus and system-wide committees, maintaining office hours, working collaboratively and productively with colleagues, and participation in traditional academic functions.

The successful candidate will be expected to teach courses with a focus on the Central American, Chicana/o/x, and Latina/o/x experience at the undergraduate and graduate levels, mentor students, engage with Central American community partners, actively participate in program and curriculum development including for our Central American Studies minor, and maintain an active research profile.

The successful candidate will be committed to the academic success of all of our students and to an environment that acknowledges, encourages, and celebrates diversity and differences. To this end, the successful candidate will work effectively, respectfully, and collaboratively in diverse, multicultural, and inclusive settings. In addition, the successful candidate will be ready to join faculty, staff, students, and administrators in our University's shared commitment to the principles of engagement, service, and the public good.

**Salary:**

Initial salary is commensurate with qualifications and experience.

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**The University:**

California State University, Los Angeles (Cal State LA) is one of 23 campuses within the California State University system. The University is the premier comprehensive public university in the heart of Los Angeles. Cal State LA is ranked number one in the U.S. for the upward mobility of its students, and is dedicated to engagement, service, and the public good. We offer nationally recognized programs in science, the arts, business, criminal justice, engineering,

nursing, education, ethnic studies, and the humanities. Our faculty have a strong commitment to scholarship, research, creative pursuits, community engagement, and service.

Our 240,000 alumni reflect the City and County's dynamic mix of populations. The University has one of the most diverse student populations of any college or university in the nation. As a federally recognized Hispanic-Serving Institution, and Asian-American, Native American, and Pacific Islander-Serving Institution, Cal State LA recognizes the transformative power of education and embraces its duty to identify and serve the needs of all of its students. The University is committed to creating a community in which a diverse population can live, work and learn in an atmosphere of civility and respect for the rights and sensibilities of each individual.

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**The College:**

As the second college of ethnic studies in the nation, the Cal State LA College of Ethnic Studies provides an interdisciplinary intellectual space that centers the histories, traditions, cultures, experiences, struggles, and accomplishments of diasporic communities of color, making connections between the local and transnational. It currently houses three academic departments, including Chicana(o) and Latina(o) Studies Department, Pan-African Studies Department, and Asian and Asian American Studies Department.

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**The Department:**

The Chicano Studies program began in the fall of 1968 with four classes. Today, the Chicana(o) and Latina(o) Studies (CLS) Department offers over 150 annual course offerings. CLS has helped produce alumni who are scholars, educators, politicians, artists, health care providers, cultural workers, and more. Our alumni, current students, and faculty continue to engage in scholarly excellence and public service, transforming Los Angeles and beyond. Our departmental identity is rooted in civic engagement, movement building, social justice, and scholarly excellence.

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**Required Documentation:**

**Please submit the following to the Search Committee Chair at the email address below:**

- 1) A cover letter specifically addressing minimum and preferred qualifications.
- 2) A narrative statement describing your commitment to working effectively with faculty, staff, and students in a multicultural/multiethnic urban campus environment with a substantial population of students who are among the first-generation of their family to attend a college or university. (1 page)
- 3) A curriculum vitae.
- 4) A list of three professional references.
- 5) A University Application for Employment Form ([www.calstatela.edu/academic/position](http://www.calstatela.edu/academic/position)).
- 6) Teaching philosophy (1 page)

**Finalists will be required to submit:**

Official transcripts.

Employment is contingent upon proof of eligibility to work in the United States.

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**Application:**

Review of applications will begin October 4, 2021 and will continue until the position is filled.

Please email all application materials in a single PDF to: [VMurillo@clsanet.calstatela.edu](mailto:VMurillo@clsanet.calstatela.edu). Please type "CLS Tenure-Track Application" in the subject line.

Please address all questions to the search committee chair, Jose Anguiano, at: [Jose.Anguiano9@calstatela.edu](mailto:Jose.Anguiano9@calstatela.edu) or 323-343-5960

Note: The person holding this position is considered a "mandated reporter" under the California Child Abuse and Neglect Reporting Act and is required to comply with the requirements set forth in CSU Executive Order 1083 as a condition of employment.

A background check (including a criminal records check) must be completed satisfactorily before any candidate can be offered a position with the CSU. Failure to satisfactorily complete the background check may affect the application status of applicants or continued employment of current CSU employees who apply for the position.

In addition to meeting fully its obligations under federal and state law, Cal State LA is committed to creating a community in which a diverse population can live, work and learn in an atmosphere of tolerance, civility and respect for the rights and sensibilities of each individual. To that end, all qualified individuals will receive equal consideration without regard to economic status, race, ethnicity, color, religion, marital status, pregnancy, national origin or cultural background, political views, sex, sexual orientation, gender identification, age, disability, disabled veteran or Vietnam era veteran status.

AN EQUAL OPPORTUNITY/TITLE IX EMPLOYER

Upon request, reasonable accommodation will be provided to individuals with protected disabilities to (a) complete the employment process and (b) perform essential job functions when this does not cause undue hardship.