

Job Number: 529996

Position: Assistant Professor of Sociology (Digital Technology and Culture)

Effective Date: August 19, 2024 (Fall Semester)

Salary Range: \$64,860 - \$143,928/per year (Commensurate with qualifications and experience)

Application Deadline: Review of applications to begin October 3, 2023. Position opened until filled (or recruitment canceled).

College of Liberal Arts
Department of Sociology

The Department of Sociology at California State University, Long Beach is accepting applications for an Assistant Professor of Sociology, Digital Technology and Culture position. We encourage the interest of applicants whose work connects to other fields and disciplines such as gender and sexuality, race and ethnicity, globalization and capitalism, Indigenous studies, migration and border studies, abolition and justice, art and design, disability studies, and social movements.

Required Qualifications:

- Ph.D. in Sociology or a related field. Degree at time of application or official notification of completion of the doctoral degree by August 1, 2024.
- Specialization in the area of Digital Technology and Culture
- Demonstrated potential for continued development of research, scholarly, and creative activities in the area of Digital Technology and Culture
- Demonstrated potential for successful teaching at the college level
- Demonstrated commitment to working successfully with a diverse student population

Preferred Qualifications:

- Evidence of scholarship and/or teaching in the area of the Sociology of Digital Technology and Culture, with a focus on one or more of the following: social media uses and outcomes, internet-based communities, digital social movement mobilization, digitization of labor and cultural production, surveillance and privacy, technological inequality and discriminatory design, digital accountability, artificial intelligence, and broadly speaking, the transformative nature of the internet and other digital technologies on social, cultural, and/or political-economic dynamics, both in the U.S. and/or globally.
- Experience and interest in innovative qualitative and/or quantitative methodologies, such as digital participant observation, community-engaged/participatory methods or critical digital content analysis
- Demonstrated ability to mentor students and supervise research
- Evidence of service in an academic institution or the community
- Experience of successfully working with populations demographically and socioeconomically similar to the CSULB student body

Duties:

- Teach courses in the Sociology department, including but not limited to: Sociology of Popular Culture; Social Trends and Problems; Race, Gender and Class; Sociology of Globalization; Social Movements and Activism; Quantitative or Qualitative Research Methods.
[Mode of instruction may include in-person, hybrid, online, and/or any combination thereof.]
- Develop potential new courses in the candidate's area(s) of expertise
- Develop and engage in ongoing research, scholarly and creative activities leading presentations and publications
- Mentor students and supervise student research
- Develop curricula to meet the needs of a diverse student body
- Participate in service to the department, college, university, and community

About the Digital Humanities and Social Sciences in the College of Liberal Arts

The successful applicant will join a growing community of digital humanities and social science scholars in the College of Liberal Arts (CLA). The CLA is the largest college at CSULB, and it is home to more than 30 academic programs and degree options. Four CLA departments—Anthropology, Comparative World Literature, Journalism and Public Relations, and Sociology—will hire new faculty with digital expertise in Fall 2024. The dean has made it a strategic priority to ensure these new tenure-track colleagues can connect with each other as well as with faculty from other disciplines who are dedicated to digital scholarly and creative activities.

CSULB seeks to recruit faculty who enthusiastically support the University's strong commitment to the academic success of all of our students, including students of color, students with disabilities, students who are first generation to college, veterans, students with diverse socio-economic backgrounds, and students of diverse sexual orientations and gender expressions. CSULB seeks to recruit and retain a diverse workforce as a reflection of our commitment to serve the People of California, to maintain the excellence of the University, and to offer our students a rich variety of expertise, perspectives, and ways of knowing and learning.

Information on excellent benefits package available to CSULB faculty is located here: [CSU Employee Benefits](#)

How to Apply - Required Documentation:

- An Equity and Diversity Statement about your teaching or other experiences, successes, and challenges in working with a diverse student population (maximum two pages, single-spaced). For further information and guidelines, please visit: <http://www.csulb.edu/EquityDiversityStatement>
- Letter of application addressing the required and preferred qualifications
- CV
- Teaching Statement
- Research Statement
- Names and contact information for three references (to be contacted for confidential letters of recommendation should you reach the **finalist** stage)
- For **semi-finalists only**:
 - Evidence of teaching effectiveness, if applicable (i.e., course evaluations)
 - Sample(s) of syllabi and/or course materials including for a hypothetical Sociology of Digital Technologies and Culture course, if applicable
 - A written sample of scholarship (articles, dissertation chapters, or similar publications), if applicable
- **Finalists** will be required to submit an official transcript from institution awarding highest degree (e-transcript preferred, if available)

How to Apply: Click Apply Now icon to complete the CSULB online application

Requests for information about the position and application process should be addressed to:

Dr. Claudia Maria López, Search Committee Chair
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Department of Sociology
1250 Bellflower Boulevard
Long Beach, CA 90840-0906

(562) 985-1168 or E-Mail: SOC-Search@csulb.edu

EMPLOYMENT REQUIREMENTS:

A background check (including a criminal records check and telephone reference check with most recent employer) 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.

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 Revised July 21, 2017 as a condition of employment.

CSU Vaccination Policy

CSU requires faculty, staff, and students who are accessing campus facilities to be immunized against COVID-19 or declare a medical or religious exemption from doing so. Any candidates advanced in a currently open search process should be prepared to comply with this requirement. The systemwide policy can be found at <https://calstate.policystat.com/policy/9779821/latest/> and questions may be sent to fahr@csulb.edu.

CSULB is committed to creating a community in which a diverse population can learn, live, and work in an atmosphere of tolerance, civility and respect for the rights and sensibilities of each individual, without regard to race or ethnicity (including color or ancestry), nationality, religion or religious creed, gender (or sex), gender identity (including transgender), gender expression, sexual orientation, marital status, disability (physical or mental), medical condition, genetic information, age, veteran or military status. CSULB is an Equal Opportunity Employer.