

Tenure-Track Faculty Position Announcement

Department: Interdisciplinary Studies and Liberal Studies

Faculty Hire Number: #25-22

Rank: Assistant Professor

Effective Date of Appointment: August 20, 2025 (Subject to Budgetary Approval)

Salary Scale: \$84,000.00 (Dependent upon qualifications)

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About the Department:

For more information about the Department of Interdisciplinary Studies and Liberal Studies (ISLS), see: <https://www.csun.edu/humanities/interdisciplinary-studies-liberal-studies>

Position:

The department of Interdisciplinary Studies and Liberal Studies (ISLS) at California State University, Northridge (CSUN) is seeking a tenure-track faculty member in Interdisciplinary Studies at the rank of Assistant Professor.

ISLS is a unique department that prioritizes creative, interdisciplinary approaches to complex problems and offers a general BA program in Interdisciplinary Studies alongside an elementary teacher education BA program and a sustainability minor. We are looking to expand our faculty offerings in an exciting new direction.

The successful candidate will teach core courses in both BA programs. The candidate's research and teaching interests will lie in one or more richly interdisciplinary areas such as, but not limited to, Science and Technology Studies, Ethics and AI, Digital Humanities, Knowledge Management, Library and Information Sciences, Geographic Information Science, Systems Theory and Analysis, Behavioral Economics, Cognitive Science,

Bioinformatics, Gender, Sexuality, and Intersectionality Studies, Ethnic Studies, Native/Indigenous Studies, Cultural Ecology, Sustainability, Environmental Humanities, Media and Communication Studies, and Art History.

The successful candidate must be willing to teach courses on campus and online as needed. This position is highly collaborative in terms of teaching, curriculum development, and research. The successful applicant will engage with faculty, students, on-campus institutes and centers, and school and community partners in a manner that highlights creativity, collegiality, and innovation.

The normal teaching assignment is 12 units per semester, plus student advisement and committee assignments. Tenure track faculty are typically given a reduced load of 3 units (equivalent to one class assignment) each semester during the first two years of employment. Opportunities for reassigned time for research, coordinator positions, and/or other projects are also available.

In addition to teaching, the position requires weekly office hours, attending faculty meetings, participation in assessment of student learning, and service to the department, college, and university. The successful candidate may be required to teach on weekdays, evenings, weekends, and/or online and will be held to the standards and requirements of the college and department in which he/she/they is/are housed for recommending tenure and promotion. Given CSUN's commitment to excellence in teaching, research, and engagement in a diverse environment, the successful candidate will help the Department achieve equitable academic outcomes for all students through teaching, student mentorship, scholarship, and service.

Required Qualifications:

- Applicant must have a PhD or EdD from an accredited institution
- Applicant must have College or University-level teaching experience in-person and/or online
- Applicant must have demonstrated experience in interdisciplinary research
- Applicant must describe their vision and rationale for what it means for a field/project to be interdisciplinary
- Applicant must demonstrate an interest in elementary school teacher preparation

Preferred Qualifications:

- Applicant's research will demonstrate combining a range of approaches (such as combining quantitative and qualitative analyses)
- Applicant will demonstrate familiarity with theoretical and/or methodological perspectives on interdisciplinarity
- Applicant's research will demonstrate integrating two or more disciplines that are traditionally disparate
- Applicant will have demonstrated experience in interdisciplinary teaching
- Applicant will have experience creating a student-centered learning environment
- Applicant will show evidence of (or potential for) engaging with a diverse student body and of securing equitable outcomes for all students by means of adopting culturally responsive and inclusive approaches to pedagogy, advising, and/or mentoring

Application Deadline:

Screening of applications will begin on **December 2, 2024**. Priority will be given to applications received by **December 13, 2024** but the position will remain open until filled.

How to Apply:

Candidates should apply by completing the CSUN online application. To apply and for more detailed information on the application and hiring process, please visit this link: www.csun.edu/careers

Applicants must submit a cover letter that specifically addresses each of the required (and if applicable, one or more of the preferred) qualifications above, CV, teaching statement, research statement, evidence of successful teaching, and writing sample to the website in the section above. In later stages of the search process, applicants may be requested to provide additional materials, including letters of recommendation.

At time of appointment, the successful candidate, if not a U.S. citizen, must have authorization from the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) to work in the United States.

General Information:

In compliance with the Annual Security Report & Fire Safety Report of Campus Security Policy and Campus Crime Statistics Act, California State University, Northridge has made crime-reporting statistics available on-line [here](#). Print copies are available by request from the Department of Police Services, the Office for Faculty Affairs, and the Office of Equity and Diversity.

The person holding this position may be 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 accordance with the California State University (CSU) Out-of-State Employment Policy, the CSU is a state entity whose business operations reside within the State of California and prohibits hiring employees to perform CSU-related work outside of California.

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