

Position Announcement (Internal Applicants)
Director of the Center for Africana Studies
OSU College of Arts and Sciences

Located within the College of Arts and Sciences, the *Center for Africana Studies* seeks a dynamic and visionary leader to spearhead Oklahoma State's commitment to the advancement of community-accountable interdisciplinary scholarship, research, and teaching of the Black and African Diaspora. The Director will provide new vision and leadership for programming initiatives involving faculty, staff, and students across OSU's Stillwater and Tulsa campuses. The ideal candidate will have a strong record of scholarly achievement in the field of Africana Studies, knowledge of the wide-ranging methodological approaches to the field, special interest in an area of contemporary debate, and hands-on experience engaging the diverse communities whose histories reflect the Center's focus on Black and African Diasporic peoples. The Director will report annually on the Center's activities and accomplishments to the CAS Dean.

Other responsibilities include: 1) recruiting and supporting a diverse group of affiliate faculty, 2) forging partnerships with other CAS interdisciplinary programs and OSU academic colleges/administrative units, 3) overseeing the growth and development of courses and academic programs, 4) facilitating campus and community events, 5) seeking extramural support for Center initiatives, and 6) working closely with student leaders in advancing the Center's programming and engagement activities. The Director is expected to report annually on the Center's activities and accomplishments.

Requirements: Tenure in an OSU department within the College of Arts and Sciences at the level of associate or full professor. Previous administrative experience and grant writing skills are desirable. The Director will receive a \$250 administrative stipend for nine months, one month of summer salary, and a one-course release each semester. The period of the appointment is for three years beginning October 1, 2020.

The College of Arts and Sciences is committed to diversity, equity and inclusion. Women and members of underrepresented groups are strongly encouraged to apply. Applicants should send a curriculum vita and statement of interest to Prof. Craig Freeman, Search Committee Chair, (freemanc@okstate.edu) phone: (405) 744-6354. Review of applications will begin on September 1, 2020 and continue until the position is filled.