



THE OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY
COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES

Department: Anthropology

Position: Medical Anthropologist (Asseff Professorship in the Anthropology and History of Medicine)

Rank: Assistant Professor or Associate Professor

Description:

The Department of Anthropology in the College of Arts and Sciences at The Ohio State University invites applications for the Asseff Chair in the Anthropology and History of Medicine, commencing in autumn 2020. We seek a medical anthropologist but we will consider applications from scholars of related disciplines such as human/health geography, medical sociology, and women's and gender studies. In all cases, the ideal candidate's research and teaching will focus on infectious disease in living human populations with attention to the current and historical context. The successful candidate will enhance the Department of Anthropology's strengths in human health and ecology, past and present, by examining the biocultural dynamics/social determinants of infectious disease, such as how political economy shapes the distribution of infectious diseases and global health or individuals' experiences managing disease risk and treatment. While the home department will be Anthropology, the candidate will also be expected to enhance the Department of History's strengths in environmental history and the history of science, medicine and health. We are interested in scholars with active, field-based research, and expertise in ethnographic methods. In addition to playing a key role in the development of a new undergraduate major in medical anthropology, the successful candidate will teach a cross-listed class in the Department of History on the history of medicine or infectious disease. Finally, we seek a colleague who will initiate transformative, interdisciplinary research projects with colleagues across campus on issues related to infectious disease and human and environmental health.

This position is funded by The Dr. Carl F. Asseff Professorship Fund in the History of Medicine and the Infectious Disease Institute, one of Ohio State's Discovery Themes, a significant faculty hiring investment in key thematic areas in which the university can build on its culture of academic collaboration to make a global impact.

Qualifications:

Applicants must have a Ph.D. Demonstrated research productivity and excellence in teaching are required. The candidate will have the ability to offer a range of classes including introductory sociocultural and medical anthropology, the history of medicine/infectious disease, and specialized courses in their area of expertise that bring students of anthropology, history and related disciplines together.

Appointment is contingent on the university's verification of credentials and other information required by law and/or university policies, including but not limited to a criminal background check.

About Columbus:

The Ohio State University campus is located in Columbus, the capital city of Ohio. Columbus is the Midwest's fastest-growing city and the nation's 14th largest city. Columbus offers a diverse array of welcoming neighborhoods and a vibrant arts and culture scene. Additional information about all that the Columbus area has to offer is available at <https://visit.osu.edu/experience>.

Application Instructions:

Apply to Academic Jobs Online at: <https://academicjobsonline.org/ajo/jobs/14571>. "A complete application consists of a cover letter that describes: 1) research interests 2) teaching philosophy, and 3) contributions to diversity and inclusion related to research, teaching and/or engagement, as well as a CV and names and contact information for three references." Applications will be accepted through November 1, 2019. Inquiries may be directed to Dr. Barbara Piperata at piperata.1@osu.edu.

The Ohio State University is committed to establishing a culturally and intellectually diverse environment, encouraging all members of our learning community to reach their full potential. We are responsive to dual-career families and strongly promote work-life balance to support our community members through a suite of institutionalized policies. The university is an [ADVANCE](#) Institution and member of the Ohio/Western Pennsylvania/West Virginia Higher Education Recruitment Consortium (HERC).

The Ohio State University is an equal opportunity employer. All qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation or identity, national origin, disability status, or protected veteran status.