## Associate Professor in the area of Black Expressive Culture Across the Diaspora

The Language, Literacy, and Culture doctoral program at the University of Maryland, Baltimore County (UMBC) seeks a tenured Associate Professor in the area of Black Expressive Culture Across the Diaspora. We seek candidates with strong research productivity, experience teaching and mentoring doctoral students, and a commitment to the university's mission of inclusive excellence.

This interdisciplinary scholar would work across disciplines with specific areas of study in Black expressive culture with expertise in humanities-based theoretical and methodological traditions; expertise in various e-media literacies, digital humanities or related areas is also welcomed. We seek someone with a Ph.D. in humanities disciplines/fields such as American Studies, History, Literature, Gender and Sexuality, Africana Studies or Black Cultural Studies, Modern Languages and Media Studies or other related interdisciplinary humanities fields. The successful applicant will contribute fully to our interdisciplinary doctoral-only program, especially teaching core doctoral courses including introductory theory and methods courses, and directing doctoral dissertations. The successful candidate will have opportunities to work with our partnering departments and have a commitment to working with students with diverse life experiences and from a variety of disciplines and backgrounds.

## About the Program

We are an interdisciplinary program serving only doctoral students that investigates the concepts and processes of language, literacy, and culture in relationship to social, historical, technological, and ideological formations. We advocate for socio-cultural and linguistic diversity in research, practice, and policy, with special emphasis on social justice, change, equity, power, and identity. Our intellectual community includes a small core group of faculty members in the doctoral program and more than 30 affiliate faculty from more than nine programs and departments across our campus with the intent of offering graduate students synergistic, collaborative, community- and place-based approaches to research especially in relation to the Baltimore region.

The successful candidate will have an opportunity to work alongside our nationally recognized and award-winning faculty in our partnering departments and in research centers like the Dresher Center for the Humanities. We are deeply committed to supporting new faculty as they work on their research and publications. UMBC is a dynamic and growing public research university located in the Baltimore-Washington Corridor. *US News and World Report* regularly ranks UMBC in the top 10 of most innovative universities, and the *Chronicle of Higher Education* recognizes UMBC as one its <u>"Great Colleges to Work For"</u> in categories including cooperative governance, compensation, teaching environment, and work-life balance. UMBC is especially proud of the diversity of its student body, and we seek to attract an equally diverse applicant pool for this position. Our faculty and campus community have a strong commitment to equity and social justice. We encourage applications from women, underrepresented minorities, veterans, and individuals with disabilities.

Submit a letter of application with attention to research, teaching and mentoring graduate students; CV; statement of commitment to diversity and inclusiveness; two peer-reviewed publications; two course syllabi; and, names and contact information for three references by December 1, 2021, to Interfolio at <u>https://apply.interfolio.com/95117</u>. Please address questions to Dr. Craig Saper, Interim Director, Language, Literacy, and Culture doctoral program, <u>llc@umbc.edu</u> with the subject line "LLC Search."