Assistant Professor of Political Science
Political Theory

At Macalester College, diversity, equity, and inclusion are central to our educational mission and values. We are committed to the institutional change required for visioning and realizing a more equitable and socially just college and society.

The Department of Political Science at Macalester College seeks candidates for a full-time, tenure-track position at the level of Assistant Professor to begin in August 2023. We invite applications from Political Theorists whose teaching and research intersect with questions of race and ethnicity. The successful candidate will contribute to the undergraduate curriculum with offerings in Political Theory at the introductory, intermediate and advanced levels, as well as electives focused on race and ethnicity. The teaching load is five courses per year. We welcome candidates whose teaching and scholarly interests can build bridges to other disciplines or Macalester's interdisciplinary departments and concentrations, such as American Studies, International Studies, Asian Studies, Critical Theory, Middle Eastern Studies, Media and Cultural Studies, Environmental Studies, and Women, Gender and Sexuality Studies.

Applicants should submit a cover letter that includes a statement of interest in Macalester and discusses demonstrated activity and contributions to diversity, equity and inclusion initiatives in their teaching, advising, mentorship, curriculum, scholarship, service or community and professional engagement. Strong candidates will have experience and vision regarding teaching and mentorship of students of multiple and diverse backgrounds with attention to structural barriers that limit access to educational opportunities.

Applications should also include a curriculum vitae; a statement of teaching interests and philosophy, a research statement, an example of recent scholarship, evidence of effective teaching, and three reference letters. Candidates may include the following:
Teaching Statement
- Teaching philosophy and effective strategies for teaching and learning
- Experience teaching, advising, or mentoring undergraduate students
- Applied knowledge of supporting students of diverse backgrounds, interests, or prior experience with political theory

Research Statement
- Research specialization in political theory with focus on race and ethnicity
- Commitment to and interest in maintaining an active research agenda
- Understanding of scholarly research in a liberal arts college and support of undergraduate student research

All materials (cover letter, CV, teaching statement, research statement, research example, evidence of effective teaching, and three reference letters) must be submitted to https://academicjobsonline.org/ajo/jobs/21989. Inquiries can be directed to Professor Lesley Lavery, Chair of Political Science, llavery@macalester.edu. Applications are due no later than October 1, 2022.

Macalester College is located in Saint Paul, Minnesota, on the ancestral homeland of the Dakota people who were forcibly exiled because of aggressive and persistent settler colonialism.

Macalester is a highly selective, private liberal arts college in the vibrant Minneapolis-Saint Paul metropolitan area, with a population of approximately three million people and home to numerous colleges and universities, including the University of Minnesota. Macalester’s diverse student body comprises over 2000 undergraduates from all 50 states and the District of Columbia and 99 countries. The College maintains a longstanding commitment to academic excellence with a special emphasis on internationalism, multiculturalism, and service to society. As an Equal Opportunity employer supportive of affirmative efforts to achieve diversity among its faculty, Macalester College strongly encourages applications from women and members of underrepresented minority groups. International scholars will receive H-1B visa assistance if selected for this position.