The Macalester College Department of History invites applications for a Modern U.S. Historian with a specialization in African-American history to serve as Chair of the Department. The position will be filled at the level of advanced Associate or Full Professor to begin Fall of 2021. A Ph.D. is required. Primary teaching responsibilities include courses in the history of African Americans and the African Diaspora in the United States, including the nature and persistence of racial inequality and its consequences; modern U.S. history courses (1861-present); and classes that complement and enhance the department’s curriculum.

Review of applications will begin November 23, 2020, and will continue until the position is filled. To apply, electronically submit a c.v., cover letter, a writing sample, a diversity statement (see guidelines below), representative course syllabi, and the names and contact information of three references to Academic Jobs Online. We will follow up with requests for letters of reference as we proceed with our search. In your cover letter, please discuss any previous experience you have chairing a department or equivalent administrative experience.

Macalester College is committed to student and faculty diversity, equity, and inclusion. Strong candidates will have a record of experience or demonstrated commitment to teaching diverse students. In addition to the materials noted above, applicants should also submit a diversity statement (no longer than two pages) that discusses past experiences and/or potential future contributions to inclusive excellence in the areas of research, teaching, service, and/or outreach. In the diversity statement, applicants should reflect upon their experience and vision regarding the teaching and mentorship of students from diverse backgrounds.

For further information about the position, contact the department chair, Linda Sturtz (lsturtz@macalester.edu), or visit the College’s website (www.macalester.edu). The search process will be adapted to meet public health standards during the pandemic.
Macalester College 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 95 nations. 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.