

## Assistant Professor of Psychological Science

African Centered or Black Psychology Emphasis, Area of Psychology Open

The LMU community, including the Department of Psychological Science, is composed of faculty, staff, and students from a wide range of culturally and religiously diverse backgrounds and a commitment to Catholic/Jesuit intellectual traditions. The Department of Psychological Science at Loyola Marymount University invites applications for a tenure-track position starting at the level of Assistant Professor to begin August 15, 2024.

Applicants must have a Ph.D. in psychology (area open) with a focus in African Centered or Black Psychology. We are especially interested in candidates who integrate African Centered or Black Psychology in their teaching, research, and service and conduct community-based research using a community based participatory research approach with African American, Caribbean, or diasporan African descended communities. Sample areas of research include culture, mental health disparities, education, positive youth development, family science, racial identity, racial stress and/or trauma, diversity science, and intergroup relations. We encourage applicants who have an orientation toward multi-disciplinary, interdisciplinary and/or collaborative research and experience creating accessible student-centered and active learning environments.

Successful candidates will be dedicated to 1) teaching a diverse student body in a transformative learning environment across a range of undergraduate courses, including an introductory course in psychology or methodological courses (statistics or research methods), and upper-division courses in African Centered and/or Black psychology as well as their specific areas of expertise (a willingness to develop engaged learning pedagogical strategies is also highly desirable), 2) developing an ongoing program of research into which department undergraduate students/researchers, as well as colleagues from the department and elsewhere, can be integrated, 3) challenging themselves, their students, and their colleagues to be actively anti-racist and work toward greater diversity, equity, and inclusion in the profession, and 4) participating in service activities at the academic, professional, and/or community levels.

The appointment follows a 9-month faculty contract period of August 15 - May 15 of each academic year. Questions regarding this position can be directed by email to Dr. Cheryl Grills, Search Committee Chair at [psycsearch@lmu.edu](mailto:psycsearch@lmu.edu).



The following application materials must be submitted online in order for an applicant to be considered for this position:

- A cover letter outlining your qualifications for the position;
- A curriculum vitae detailing your educational background, research accomplishments, and work experience, as well as any leadership and service experience (e.g., academic, professional, community) that you believe are relevant to this position;
- A statement of your teaching philosophy that addresses past and/or potential contributions that would be related to LMU's mission, the practice of Ignatian Pedagogy, and/or your overall vision for your role as a teacher-scholar;
- A statement of current research and your plans for establishing a thriving research program in your area of expertise at LMU, including how you plan to involve undergraduate students in that program; and
- A statement that addresses past and/or potential contributions to anti-racism, diversity, equity and inclusion, which might include: research, teaching and/or service that has prepared the candidate to contribute to the engagement and inclusion of diverse audiences in higher education, contributions to diverse perspectives and ways of knowing and learning, and/or research or professional experience with a specific focus on underserved communities or nations.

Three academic and/or professional letters of recommendation, on institutional or professional letterhead (PDFs only) and emailed directly from the letter writer to the Search Committee Chair, Dr. Cheryl Grills, at [psycsearch@lmu.edu](mailto:psycsearch@lmu.edu).

Submission due date is September 18, 2023.

Faculty Regular

Reasonable expected salary: \$85,000.00

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