#### **About the University of Houston-Downtown**

The University of Houston-Downtown is a comprehensive four-year university offering bachelor's and selected master's degree programs and providing strong academic and career preparation as well as life-long learning opportunities. Located in the heart of the city, the University reflects the diversity of the Greater Houston Metropolitan Area, and, through its academic programs, engages with the community to address the needs and advance the development of the region. UHD is an inclusive community dedicated to integrating teaching, service, and scholarly research to develop students' talents and prepare them for success in a dynamic global society. UHD draws students from throughout the Greater Houston area. UHD is considered one of the most ethnically diverse liberal arts institutions in the southwest, a distinction that indicates the student body accurately reflects the Houston community's wealth of cultures, languages and nationalities. The University offers all students a specially tailored opportunity for quality higher education, as well as small classes. UHD employs over 1,400 faculty and staff.

Since opening its doors in 1974, UHD has grown in mission and service, and now offers baccalaureate degrees in 44 areas and eight master's degree programs. Over 14,000 students attend classes in five Colleges: Business, Humanities and Social Sciences, Public Service and Sciences and Technology, as well as University College, which serves as the entry point for all students coming to UHD. Approximately 2,000 students graduate each year with degrees in humanities and the arts, social sciences, business, the sciences and technology, education and criminal justice. As one of the four distinct and separate components of the University of Houston System, UHD offers educational opportunities and access to students from a variety of backgrounds, including many first-generation college students, students who work full- or parttime, students with additional family obligations, and students who transfer from community colleges and other higher education institutions. The University of Houston System a public system of higher education that includes three other universities in addition to UHD— The University of Houston, UH-Clear Lake and UH-Victoria as well as two teaching centers—UH System at Sugar Land and UH System at Cinco Ranch.

# **Job Description:**

The Sociology Program in the Department of Social Sciences at the University of Houston-Downtown seeks to hire a Lecturer in Sociology beginning Spring 2017. This is a one-year, nontenure track position, renewable based on performance and departmental need. Area of specialization is open; areas of teaching competence must include at least two of the following: Aggression and Violence, Deviance, Gender, Minorities, Social Inequality, Statistics, and Research Methods. Secondary areas of interest in Health and Behavioral Science and Critical Race Studies are especially welcome. The position has a 5/5 teaching load consisting of a mix of lower- and upper-level sociology courses including Introduction to Sociology, with a salary of \$42,000/year (plus benefits). Excellence in undergraduate teaching is essential. Ph.D. in Sociology by time of appointment is preferred, but ABDs will be considered.

The Sociology Program at UHD consists of six tenure-track/tenured faculty members and multiple adjunct professors situated in a multidisciplinary Department of Social Sciences serving

a diverse nontraditional student body. It is an undergraduate degree-granting program with a minor and major in Sociology and general education/core curriculum teaching responsibilities.

# Requirements

Ph.D. in Sociology by time of appointment is preferred, but ABDs will be considered.

For additional information and to apply, please visit <a href="http://jobs.uhd.edu/postings/2771">http://jobs.uhd.edu/postings/2771</a>.

# **Special Instructions:**

To be considered a candidate for this position an application, cover letter, curriculum vitae, unofficial transcripts and three letters of reference are required.

For full consideration, complete applications must be received by October 22, 2016. Incomplete applications will not be considered.\*

A copy of graduate transcripts and three letters of recommendation should be submitted by e-mail to Dr. Joanna Kaftan at KaftanJ@uhd.edu. Alternatively, they may be mailed to Dr. Kaftan, Chair, Sociology Search Committee, Department of Social Sciences, University of Houston-Downtown, One Main Street, N-1009, Houston, TX, 77002.

This is a security sensitive position; a complete background investigation is required.

In accordance with H.B. #558, Selective Service Registration may be required.

Offer of employment contingent upon verification of individual's eligibility for employment in the United States.

In compliance with Texas State Senate Bill (S.B.) 805, the University of Houston–Downtown is committed to providing a preference in employment to eligible veteran, disabled veteran, surviving spouse of veteran and orphan of veteran applicants who meet minimum qualifications and any special qualifications for the position to which they apply. The required preferences do not compel the University to appoint a veteran, disabled veteran, surviving spouse of a veteran or orphan of a veteran. However, they do require that those who meet the veteran preference eligibility be appointed when their application assessment, combined with the veteran's preference, is equal to or higher than that of a non-veteran.

# **Non-Discrimination Policy**

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Mr. Tommy Thomason One Main Street, Suite S-380 Houston, TX 77002-1001 thomasont@uhd.edu (713) 221-8056

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