

Postdoctoral Scholar, African American History

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JOB DESCRIPTION AND POSITION REQUIREMENTS:

The [Richards Civil War Era Center](#) and the [Africana Research Center](#) invite applications for a Postdoctoral Scholar in African American history, beginning July 1, 2023. This is a limited-term, one-year position with the possibility of renewal. All research interests spanning the origins of slavery through the Civil Rights movement will receive favorable consideration. Proposals that align with the Richards Center's interests in slavery, abolition, and emancipation, as well as comparative or Atlantic history, are especially welcome. During their residency, the scholar will primarily perform their research. The scholar will have no teaching or administrative responsibilities. In addition, they will be matched with a mentor, attend professional development sessions and other relevant events, and will be expected to take an active part in Penn State's community of researchers. The scholar also will invite two senior scholars to campus to read and comment on their project.

Successful applicants must have completed all requirements for the Ph.D. within the previous four academic years. Salary/benefit package is competitive.

To be considered for this position, submit a complete application packet including a cover letter describing your research and goals for the scholarship year, a curriculum vita, and a list of three references. We will request writing samples and letters of recommendation from candidates who advance in the search process. Successful candidates must either have demonstrated a commitment to building an inclusive, equitable, and diverse campus community, or describe one or more ways they would envision doing so, given the opportunity.

Review of materials will begin November 1, 2022, and continue until the position has been filled. Please direct questions about the process via e-mail to richardscenter@psu.edu.

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