



**BALL STATE
UNIVERSITY**



Assistant Professor of English

COLLEGE OF SCIENCES AND HUMANITIES

POSITION DESCRIPTION

Assistant Professor of English will develop and teach undergraduate and graduate courses in African American literature and African American Studies; publish peer-reviewed research in area(s) of specialization; and contribute to the major, minor, and graduate degrees in English and to the minor in African American Studies.

QUALIFICATIONS

Minimum: Completion of Ph.D. in English or related discipline by time of appointment, with specialization in African American literature; record of effective teaching in African American Studies or related fields; record of publications and/or presentations in African American Literature.

Preferred: Demonstrated research expertise in African American Studies or related fields; demonstrated expertise in one or more of the following: Indigenous Literatures, Hemispheric Studies, Transatlantic Studies, Digital Humanities.

DEPARTMENT OF ENGLISH

The Department of English offers majors and minors in literature, creative writing, professional writing, linguistics, and English Education. African American Studies is a growing program that currently offers a minor exploring both contemporary and historical issues. Students in both programs work with creative, dedicated faculty to explore a variety of texts and contexts, with an eye to becoming better writers, more innovative thinkers, and more thoughtful citizens.

THE COLLEGE OF SCIENCES AND HUMANITIES

The College of Sciences and Humanities prepares students to be successful and innovative global citizens who analyze situations, think critically, solve problems, and communicate clearly. We hire teacher-scholars who make our students' success possible. We offer programs in 16 departments in the humanities, social sciences, and computational and natural sciences.

ABOUT BALL STATE UNIVERSITY

Ball State University is located in Muncie, Indiana, on an attractive campus 45 miles northeast of Indianapolis. Ball State enjoys a close relationship with the [City of Muncie](#), and many employees extol the virtues of living in this Midwestern college town of 70,000 people. More information about working at Ball State, and relocating to East Central Indiana, is found [on the University's website](#).

Institutionally, Ball State has established ambitious goals for our second century through our strategic plan, [Destination 2040: Our Flight Path](#):

- We pledge to provide a premier educational experience for every student.
- We pledge to partner with the community to improve the lives of our neighbors.
- We are dedicated to having a lifelong presence in the lives of our alumni.

And when we complement these promises with our commitment to our enduring values, we define that which makes our University and its culture distinctive.



**BALL STATE
UNIVERSITY**

Ball State engages students in educational, research, and creative endeavors that empower our graduates to have fulfilling careers and meaningful lives enriched by lifelong learning and service, while we enhance the economic, environmental, and social vitality of our community, our state, and our world. We invite you to be part of our community.

To Apply

[Click here](#) to apply for this position. In the Applicant Documents section of this application, please provide an inclusive excellence statement describing how you would contribute to the development of a diverse and inclusive learning community at Ball State University through your teaching, research and/or service. Please include examples of your contributions when possible. Word limit 500. Names and contact information for three references will be required on the application. For more information, contact [Dr. Deborah Mix](#), Associate Professor of English. Visit [bsu.edu/jobs](https://www.bsu.edu/jobs) for information on all current job openings at Ball State University.