

# OKLAHOMA BAPTIST UNIVERSITY

## POSITION DESCRIPTION

**Title** Assistant/Associate Professor  
of History

**Department** Division of Behavioral &  
Social Sciences

### **OBU Mission Statement**

OBU transforms lives by equipping students to pursue academic excellence, integrate faith with all areas of knowledge, engage a diverse world, and live worthy of the high calling of God in Christ.

### **Expectations for all Employees**

Oklahoma Baptist University achieves its mission through a shared commitment to the following expectations. All employees must embrace these expectations and model them in their behavior.

- *Demonstrate commitment to the essentials of the Christian faith.*
- *Commit to the mission and vision of Oklahoma Baptist University.*
- *Maintain active membership in a local evangelical Christian church.*
- *Treat people with dignity and respect.*
- *Build relationships on honesty, integrity, and trust.*
- *Strive for excellence through teamwork, leadership, and a strong work ethic.*
- *Manage human and financial resources wisely and efficiently.*

### **Purpose:**

Oklahoma Baptist University invites applications for an Assistant or Associate Professor of History position (beginning August 2025). Area of specialization is open, though the ideal candidate will possess an expertise in either Non-Western history (Latin America, Middle East, Africa, East Asia, or Trans-Atlantic World), or in Public History. Ph.D. preferred; ABD considered. Responsibilities include teaching courses in the candidate's area of expertise, as well as Western Civilization courses as part of OBU's Core Curriculum. Candidates must be committed to the mission of OBU as a Christian liberal arts university.

### **Essential Functions:**

- Teach both lower- and upper-level undergraduate history courses
- Serve as an advisor to history majors and minors
- Assist in recruiting students to the history program
- Keep accurate class records and submit reports and grades
- Keep regular office hours for advising students

### **Other Duties:**

- Maintain an active program of professional development
- Serve on university committees and take an active part in shaping the work of the division
- Support and guide student research and practice
- Work regularly with faculty members from other disciplines

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### Qualifications:

- Area of specialization is open, though the ideal candidate will possess an expertise in either Non-Western history (Latin America, Middle East, Africa, East Asia, or Trans-Atlantic World), or in Public History. Must also be able to teach survey level history courses.
- Possess and demonstrate strong interpersonal skills, communication skills, and pedagogy
- Be able to conduct a college classroom to maximize the student learning experience
- Be able to adjust teaching methods to meeting student needs
- Be able to work effectively with students in individual advisement as well as small and large class environments
- Be able to relate to colleagues in the OBU community as well as be a representative to the professional community beyond OBU

### Required:

- Advanced ABD in History Ph.D. Program
- Experience teaching undergraduate courses at the university level
- Be proficient in office technology, office software (including various Microsoft tools), and classroom presentation software

### Preferred:

- Ph.D. in History
- Experience teaching undergraduate in a Christian, liberal arts environment

### Special Requirements:

- Must be a member of a local evangelical\* Christian church.

\*Evangelical is a broad term referring to segment within Christianity which maintains the authority of the Bible and the belief in salvation by faith in Jesus alone.

**\*\*Please apply using the link for “Faculty Applications” on the OBU website at <https://www.okbu.edu/hr/jobs.html>**