ANNOUNCEMENT OF THE MILLENNIUM CHAIR IN LIBERAL ARTS
BEGINNING AUGUST, 2005

DESCRIPTION:

POSITION: The School of Liberal Arts at Indiana University- Purdue University Indianapolis (IUPUI) invites nominations and applications for the Millennium Chair of Liberal Arts. We seek a scholar whose teaching and research interests embrace the African American experience. Appointment will be at the senior rank. The home department for the chair holder is open, but it is assumed the person will work in close affiliation with the Institute for American Thought, as well as American Studies and/or African American & African Diaspora Studies. The duration of the endowed position is five years and is renewable. The most serious candidates for this position will be those whose academic credentials, scholarly records, and faculty experiences indicate proven abilities in the instruction of students; continued scholarly productivity commensurate with upper ranks in the university and intellectual leadership in the profession; and success or promise of high potential in collaborative capacities.

QUALIFICATIONS: Candidates should possess appropriate educational credentials (Ph.D. required) with clear records of strong scholarly work and academic leadership, should have extensive and successful teaching experience, should demonstrate a record of civic engagement, and should have the career profile appropriate for appointment at the level of full professor in the university.

FACULTY RESPONSIBILITIES:

TEACHING: The courses range from the introductory level to upper-level undergraduate courses in the faculty member’s specialty and, thus, involve some responsibilities in course development. There will likely be opportunity to teach graduate students, as the School offers Masters degrees in several disciplines, with additional graduate programs in development.

RESEARCH: A primary interest in research should be connected to the major area of the candidate’s special field(s) of inquiry. The successful candidate will be expected to sustain the kind of active research agenda appropriate to important senior
standing in the profession and to the need to provide models of success for junior faculty members in the university.

SERVICE: Expected service includes the normal fare of responsibilities in faculty governance and other areas of interest to the faculty member.

SALARY: Salary is highly competitive, depending on qualifications and experience and on the rank of the appointee. The appointment includes, among other benefits, TIAA-CREF, life insurance, and medical insurance, which are paid in whole or in part by the university.

APPOINTMENT: To ensure full consideration, applications should be received by November 15, 2004, although applications will be accepted until the position is filled. Appointment will be effective no later than August, 2005.

THE UNIVERSITY: The third largest campus in Indiana, IUPUI is located in the heart of a diverse metropolitan area of 1.25 million people. Over 29,000 students are served on a campus with the largest number of degree programs in the state. IUPUI is composed of 18 schools including Liberal Arts, Sciences, Medicine, Dentistry, Nursing, Allied Health, Business, Law, Engineering & Technology, and Public Affairs. Although only three decades old, IUPUI is noted for its rapid growth and development and represents a dynamic campus where change and improvement are vital parts of everyday life. The campus is well on its way to becoming a model for urban higher education for the twenty-first century, committed to serving the needs of both non-traditional and traditional students.

THE SCHOOL: The School of Liberal Arts is composed of 11 departments (Anthropology, Communication Studies, Economics, English, Foreign Languages & Cultures, Geography, History, Philosophy, Political Science, Religious Studies, and Sociology) and supports several Centers and Programs, including the African American and African Diaspora Studies Program, Philanthropic Studies, Museum Studies, the Institute for American Thought and its affiliated scholarly editions (the Charles S. Peirce Edition, the George Santayana Edition, the Frederick Douglass Papers) and the American Studies Program, the Center for the Study of Religion and American Culture, and the Women’s Studies Program. The School has an operating budget of $22+ million; enrolls 1,500 undergraduate majors; has over 140 tenure-track faculty; and offers several graduate programs at the Master’s level in selected areas. The School of Liberal Arts and IUPUI encourage research on African-American culture and race and ethnic studies.
CONTACT: Inquiries and nominations should be sent to the chair of the search committee. Review of applications will begin after November 15, 2004. Applications should include a *curriculum vitae*, an application letter addressing the position-description, and a list of six current references sent to:

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