

Lecturer in Modern Latin American History in Leiden University

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Job description

- Teaching at undergraduate and graduate levels in the BA, MA and ResMa programmes in Latin American Studies, and the BA International Studies. Supervision of BA and MA theses;
- Teaching duties may include courses on Latin American foreign relations, Latin American politics from a regional dimension, and developmental issues (such as regional security, drugs trafficking, infrastructural integration, corruption, and Latin American relations vis-à-vis Europe, the United States and China), among other topics;
- Research and publishing through appropriate academic channels;
- Administrative duties at academic committees both within the Latin American Studies programme and at the faculty level;
- Representation of the field to external audiences and in public media.

Requirements

- A PhD degree in Latin American studies focused on relevant contemporary issues;
- Specialist knowledge of contemporary Latin American history, politics and society, with a special focus on the period 1980 up to the present;
- Excellent knowledge of present-day theories and academic interpretations of the Latin American historical, social and political development from both national and regional perspectives;
- The ability to work from interdisciplinary perspective (including history, culture and social sciences) is a must;
- Research experience in Latin America;
- A research and publication record that is commensurate with career stage;
- A very good academic teaching record, including formal teaching evaluations and wide thematic teaching scope;
- An excellent command of English and Spanish. If you are not Dutch-speaking, you are obliged to acquire a good command of Dutch (B1) within two years from taking up duty. The institute will make resources available to this end. If you will teach in Dutch, you must have language proficiency level C1 at the start of the employment;
- Upon appointment, depending on experience and formal qualifications to date, the lecturer is required to obtain a nationally standardized teaching skills certification;
- Demonstrable experience in administrative duties at academic committees within university structures is recommendable.

Conditions of employment

The appointment is in temporary employment for four years, with no possibility for extension. The rank of lecturer corresponds roughly to that of assistant professor in North-American terms. The salary is in accordance with the collective salary agreement of the Association of Dutch Universities and depending on qualifications and experience, the gross monthly salary is €2,709 to €5,656 (pay scale 10, 11 or 12) for a full working week.

Depending on qualifications, the appointee may start at the appropriate step in scale 10 until he/she fully meets the requirements for scales 11/12 as specified by the Faculty of Humanities, particularly with regard to teaching skills certification and the number of years of relevant work experience. Candidates from outside the Netherlands may be eligible for a substantial tax break. We encourage all staff to learn Dutch and offer access to language classes.

Leiden University offers an attractive benefits package with additional holiday (8%) and end-of-year bonuses (8.3 %), training and career development and sabbatical leave. Our individual choices model gives you some freedom to assemble your own set of terms and conditions. For international spouses we have set up a dual career programme. Candidates from outside the Netherlands may be eligible for a substantial tax break. More at <https://www.universiteitleiden.nl/en/working-at/job-application-procedure-and-employment-conditions>.

Diversity

Leiden University is strongly committed to diversity, inclusiveness and equal opportunities within its community and especially welcomes applications from members of underrepresented groups.

Employer

Universiteit Leiden

Leiden is a typical university city, hosting the oldest university in the Netherlands (1575). The University permeates the local surroundings; University premises are scattered throughout the city, and the students who live and study in Leiden give the city its relaxed yet vibrant atmosphere.

Leiden University is one of Europe's foremost research universities. This prominent position gives our graduates a leading edge in applying for academic posts and for functions outside academia. More at <https://www.universiteitleiden.nl/en/working-at>.

<https://www.universiteitleiden.nl/werken-bij>

Department

Faculty of Humanities

Since its founding in 1575, Leiden University has acquired an international reputation for excellent teaching and research. In this era of globalisation, humanities are more important than ever. Migration, integration, trade and technology are blurring the borders between countries and cultures. To be able to cooperate and live together, it is crucial that we understand each other. Humanities offer the insights we need to do this. Research and education range from languages, cultures, area studies to history, philosophy, arts and religious studies. We are driven by passion and curiosity about the world around us. With its staff of 800, the faculty provides 25 Bachelors and 28 Masters programmes for over 7.200 students. For more information <https://www.universiteitleiden.nl/en/humanities>.

The lecturer will hold a position in the Institute for History. In this institute the candidate will join the section of Latin American Studies. The BA programme in Latin American Studies is taught in Dutch and Spanish, while the courses at the MA level are taught in Spanish and English. The BA programme International Studies is taught in English. For more information see <https://www.universiteitleiden.nl/en/education/study-programmes/bachelor/latijns-amerikastudies>, <https://www.universiteitleiden.nl/en/education/study-programmes/master/latin-american-studies> and <https://www.universiteitleiden.nl/en/education/study-programmes/bachelor/international-studies>.

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Additional information

Further information for this position can be obtained from Professor Patricio Silva, email P.Silva@hum.leidenuniv.nl.

Applications

Applications should be in English, and be submitted no later than 15 March 2019 via the blue button in [our application system](#). Applicants should submit online:

- CV including education and employment history, publications and courses taught and languages & proficiency levels;
- Letter of motivation, including a personal vision of Latin American Studies and the contribution the applicant will bring to this field (max. 1 page);
- Research agenda, with the potential for (inter)national grant application (max. 1 page);
- Two sample course description of electives taught at the BA and MA level on topics related to contemporary Latin American history, politics and society (max. 1 page each);
- A complete set of evaluations;
- Names, positions, and email addresses of two referees (no reference letters).

Interviews will be held in the first half of April 2019.