The Latin American and Caribbean Studies Institute (LACSI) at the University of Georgia (www.lacsiuga.org) seeks to hire a tenure track, Assistant Professor with a specialization in Indigenous Peoples of Latin America and the Caribbean beginning August 2017. Candidates must show a record of achievement in indigenous studies of Latin America or the Caribbean, and a commitment to Latin American and Caribbean studies, and an outstanding record of scholarship in their home discipline. The appointment will be 50% in LACSI and 50% in a UGA academic department; tenure will be based in this latter unit. The teaching load is four courses per year, typically two courses in Latin American and Caribbean Studies and two courses in the other department. Creating and teaching courses cross-listed between LACSI and other departments is possible. There will be ample opportunities for collaboration with LACSI multi-disciplinary faculty affiliates, several of whom are involved in our Latin American Indigenous Languages Initiative and with UGA’s Institute of Native American Studies.

Qualifications: Candidates should hold the degree of Ph.D. in religion, literatures/cultures, anthropology, ethnomusicology, or linguistics by the time of appointment. Candidates with Ph.D.s from other or related disciplines will also receive full consideration if the respective unit supports the appointment. Native or near-native fluency in Spanish or Portuguese as well as the knowledge of and ability to teach at least one indigenous Latin American or Caribbean language are preferable. Ability to develop and teach hybrid and/or online courses, and contribute to study abroad, experiential learning and/or service learning is also desirable.

Applicants should send a letter of application, curriculum vitae, writing sample, and three letters of recommendation. Completed applications received by November 1, 2016 will receive full consideration. Applicants can directly apply via https://facultyjobs.uga.edu/postings/1215.

LACSI is a unit in the Franklin College of Arts and Sciences, which is committed to increasing the diversity of its faculty and students, and sustaining a work and learning environment that is inclusive, and strongly encourages applications from individuals in under-represented groups. Instructors are expected to support the college’s goals of creating and sustaining a diverse and inclusive environment. The University of Georgia is an Equal Opportunity/Affirmative Action employer. All qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to race, color, religion, sex, national origin, disability, gender identity, sexual orientation or protected veteran status.

Georgia is well known for its quality of life in regard to both outdoor and urban activities (www.exploregeorgia.org). UGA is a land and sea grant institution located in Athens, 70 miles northeast of Atlanta, the state capital (www.visitathensga.com; www.uga.edu).

The Latin American and Caribbean Studies Institute at the University of Georgia currently has two multimillion-dollar grants: the Department of Defense Portuguese Flagship Program grant and the Department of Education Title VI National Resource Center in Latin American Studies and Foreign Language and Area Studies Fellowship grants. The Institute has nearly 200 affiliated faculty who come from every college and school at the university and has the only Quechua language program in the state of Georgia. Its academic programs include a major and minor in Latin American and Caribbean Studies and a graduate certificate in Latin American and Caribbean Studies.

For questions, please contact Dr. Chad Howe <chowe@uga.edu>, chair of the search committee.