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Dear Colleague:

I write today as Coordinator of Graduate Studies in San Francisco State University's Sexuality Studies Department. We are currently recruiting applicants for our Fall 2018 cohort, and I hope you will share news of our department with your students and colleagues.

Drawing on disciplines and fields including communication studies, ethnic studies, gender and women's studies, gerontology, history, queer studies, psychology, public health, and sociology, the SF State Sexuality Studies Department emphasizes theoretical and methodological sophistication and a commitment to addressing social inequality and advancing social justice.

We seek applicants with some familiarity with sexuality studies as an academic field of study; an interest in sexuality as it intersects with race, gender, class, and other social differences and identities; and a commitment to sexuality studies as a means of understanding and challenging social inequalities and promoting social justice. Once at SF State, students have the opportunity to work with scholars who publish with top journals and university presses, conduct research with federal and foundation funding, pursue careers as public intellectuals, and exemplify committed and inspiring teaching.

An MA in Sexuality Studies can lead to a number of next steps. Many graduates of our MA program seek further training as a sexual health professional (therapist, educator, or other practitioner) or work in and lead community-based organizations committed to sexual health and justice. Some develop and teach sexuality education for high schools, colleges/universities, and medical schools; pursue careers in the arts; or become leaders in movements for, for example, sex workers rights, comprehensive sexuality education, the sexual rights of people with disabilities, HIV prevention, and sexual health across the life course. Still others go on to further study of sexuality in top humanities or social science PhD programs.

Attached is a hard copy of our Department brochure. You and your students can find additional information online at sxs.sfsu.edu.

Many thanks for sharing news of our department with colleagues and students. If I can answer any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at alexism@sfsu.edu.

Sincerely,

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