

ADVERTISEMENT- ASSISTANT PROFESSOR

HUMAN DIMENSIONS OF NATURAL RESOURCE MANAGEMENT

The College of Forest Resources at the University of Washington seeks applications for a full time, 9-month (100% FTE), tenure eligible appointment in Human Dimensions of Natural Resource Management at the Assistant Professor level, Ph.D. required. UW faculty engage in teaching, research and service. The College of Forest Resources is focused on the stewardship of natural and managed environments and the sustainable use of their products and services.

The successful candidate will conduct research and teach in the area of human-environment interactions with a natural resource emphasis. This may include topics related to managing ecosystems in urbanizing regions; effects of human populations on natural resource use; behavior of individuals and groups in natural settings; individual or institutional decision making and environmental stewardship; transformation of resource-dependent economies; globalization; tourism, or recreational and other uses of forests, parks and other public lands and waters.

Required Qualifications: The disciplinary focus is open, but candidates with a Ph.D. in natural resources/forestry (social science emphasis), sociology, anthropology, psychology, recreation, political science, planning, geography, or related disciplines are encouraged to apply. Applicants should be able to demonstrate evidence of natural resource management related specialization. Candidates must have completed their Ph.D. by the start of the appointment. The starting date of the appointment is flexible, but anticipated to begin April 2009.

The successful candidate is expected to work in an interdisciplinary context and integrate human dimensions research and teaching with other social and natural sciences. The successful candidate will possess strong analytical and research methodology skills and is expected to: 1) develop a nationally recognized research program in their area of specialization; 2) teach classes in both the College's undergraduate and graduate programs in their area of expertise; 3) advise graduate and undergraduate students interested in social sciences; and 4) develop collaborative relationships with scientists in other colleges, schools, and organizations.

Academic Instruction Responsibilities:

The successful candidate will teach classes in both the College's undergraduate and graduate programs in their area of disciplinary expertise. In particular, they will teach a required 200 level undergraduate core course in society and natural resource sustainability, and an upper division course on a topic related to human dimensions of natural resource management. At the graduate level, they will teach a course in their area of expertise, and a graduate level social science research methods course.

Research Responsibilities:

The successful candidate is expected to develop a nationally recognized research program in their area of specialization. Research in the area of human dimensions may cover a wide range of relevant topics related to aspects of natural resource management, as discussed above. Collaborative research opportunities exist with other programs on campus including planning, marine affairs, fisheries, public affairs and geography. Possible funding may be available through collaborative relationships with the Pacific Northwest Cooperative Ecosystem Studies Unit (National Park Service); the US Forest Service Pacific Northwest Research Station; or Washington State Departments of Natural Resources; Fish and Wildlife; Parks; Ecology; and Trade and Community Development.

Applicants should submit: 1) a letter of application (including a statement of teaching experience and research interests); 2) a curriculum vitae; and 3) three letters of reference. ***Electronic submissions are highly encouraged*** and should be sent to: humsrch@u.washington.edu. Review of applications will begin September 15, 2008 and continue until the position is filled. The date of appointment to the position is flexible, but begins no later than April 2009.

Questions should be directed to:

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