Teaching Scholar Track Position  
in Biological Aspects of Environmental Science  
Western University

The Department of Biology, Western Ontario invites applications for a probationary, Teaching Scholar (TS) position with an anticipated start date of September 1, 2021 or as negotiated. This appointment will be a probationary position at the rank of Assistant Professor. Appointments made at the rank of Assistant Professor will lead to consideration of continuing status and promotion to Associate Professor, TS at the end of the probationary period (maximum 6 years).

The successful candidate will participate in the delivery of undergraduate and graduate courses and programs, and engage in scholarship on teaching and learning in the area of Biological Aspects of Environmental Science. The starting salary will be commensurate with qualifications and experience.

Teaching Scholar Track Appointments are open only to those candidates who either currently hold a Limited Term or Limited Duties appointment at Western at the time of recruitment OR to former Members who held a Limited Duties or Limited-Term appointment at the time of the ratification date of November 29, 2018 of the current UWOFA (July 1, 2018 to June 30, 2022) Collective Agreement.

The candidate will be an emerging or established Teaching Scholar who has a demonstrated, outstanding track record in classroom teaching and teaching innovation. The candidate is expected to contribute to the teaching mission of the Department of Biology, and to programs in environment and sustainability at undergraduate and graduate levels (Environmental Science, Masters of Environment and Sustainability (MES) Graduate Program, or Environment and Sustainability Collaborative Graduate Specialization). The Teaching Scholar positions have a scholarship component. The candidate is expected to engage in scholarship activities which broaden the scope of their educational responsibilities, and to share this expertise with their colleagues in the communities. Such scholarship activities may include curriculum development and evaluation, mentoring, and research on teaching and learning. A keen interest in the development and efficacy of educational technology as part of the scholarship activities is a strong asset.

Requirements:  
- PhD in Biology, Environmental Science, or a relevant discipline  
- Experience teaching at the postsecondary level  
- Experience in the scholarship of teaching and learning
Assets:

- Excellence in undergraduate classroom teaching, as evidenced by, but not limited to:
  - Innovative undergraduate course, curriculum, or laboratory design and evaluation
  - Outstanding teaching evaluations
  - Teaching awards
  - The effective implementation of technology in curriculum delivery
  - The use of teaching methods that enhance student engagement and learning
- Experience in providing high-impact learning experiences for undergraduate students
- Training in pedagogy or teaching at the university level
- Evidence of scholarship on teaching and learning, and an innovative plan for continued scholarship in this area.

Western University offers a full range of academic and professional programs for over 32,000 undergraduate and graduate students. General information about Western can be found at www.uwo.ca. The Department of Biology (www.uwo.ca/biology) delivers undergraduate programs in Biology and Genetics, as well as contributing to a number of interdisciplinary programs (e.g., Environmental Science, Animal Behaviour, Global Health), and delivering the “biocore” to a range of Medical Science programs.

Interested applicants should submit a complete application package electronically that includes:

1) A completed Application for Full-Time Faculty Position Form (available at https://www.uwo.ca//facultyrelations/pdf/full-time-application-form.pdf)
2) A cover letter addressing how your expertise/experience and proposed scholarship activities fit this position (maximum 2 pages)
3) An up-to-date curriculum vitae
4) A teaching dossier that includes a one-page statement of teaching philosophy, and evidence of past achievements in classroom teaching, curriculum development, teaching innovation, etc
5) Contact details of at least three professionals who can provide letters of support

The application package can be sent to:

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Application deadline is August 1, 2021. We thank all applicants for their interest, but only those selected for an interview will be contacted.

Positions are subject to budget approval. Applicants should have fluent written and oral communication skills in English. The University invites applications from all qualified individuals. Western is committed to employment equity and diversity in the workplace and welcomes applications from women, members of racialized groups, Indigenous peoples, persons with disabilities, persons of any sexual orientation, and persons of any gender identity or gender expression.
In accordance with Canadian immigration requirements, priority will be given to Canadian citizens and permanent residents.

Accommodations are available for applicants with disabilities throughout the recruitment process. If you require accommodations for interviews or other meetings, please contact hrbio@uwo.ca

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