

Academic Position

The Department of Geography at Western University invites applications for **two probationary (tenure-track) appointments** in the area of **Geographic Information Science (GIScience)** and **Urban Environments** at the rank of Assistant or Associate Professor, effective July 1, 2018 or as negotiated. If qualifications and experience warrant a higher rank, consideration may be given to an appointment at the tenured level. Salary and rank will be commensurate with experience.

The <u>Department of Geography</u> seeks applicants who will lead departmental initiatives in geospatial and spatio-temporal analyses particularly related to urban environments. The ideal candidates will be emerging or established scholars who have, or are developing, a strong program of research and are able to demonstrate excellent teaching effectiveness in GIScience and its applications in Geography. The successful candidates are expected to conduct research at the leading edge of geospatial sciences and be able to work in interdisciplinary teams that address significant real-world problems within urban environments. Successful candidates will take an active role in bringing innovation and creativity to the development of our GIScience scholarship. We especially encourage applications from candidates with a background in geo-data acquisition and analysis, geospatial visualization, geo-computing and modelling, urban socioeconomic environments, physical geography of cities or urban socio-natures that build on existing departmental strengths. Ideal candidates will be able to contribute to two or more of the Departmental fields of research and to Faculty related initiatives such as the <u>Institute of Social and Economic Policy Research</u>, <u>Centre for Migration and Ethnic Relations</u>, <u>Centre for Environment and Sustainability</u>, the planned Centre for Urban Policy and Local Governance, and the planned Department of Indigenous Studies, among others.

Applicants for a probationary (tenure-track) appointments must: have completed a PhD degree in Geography or a related discipline; demonstrate excellence or potential for excellence in research through a record of internationally recognized publications in leading journals and strong endorsements from referees; the ability, or potential to develop, the capacity to conduct innovative externally funded research; provide evidence of a strong record of teaching at the university level; and have excellent oral and written communication skills.

Applicants for a tenured appointment must: hold a PhD in Geography or a related discipline, demonstrate research excellence through an outstanding record of internationally-recognized publication in internationally recognized publications in leading journals based on innovative externally-funded research; demonstrate excellence in teaching through strong course evaluations, student supervision and/or teaching awards; provide evidence of academic leadership through the development of teaching and research initiatives related to Geographic Information Science; and have excellent oral and written communication skills.

Western Geography is a research-intensive department that defines four fields of research: Environment, Resources and Development; Geographic Information Science; Physical Geography; and Urban Studies. These support doctoral- and masters-level graduate programs with an enrolment of approximately 75 graduate students. At the undergraduate level, we offer both BSc and BA degrees and a range of modules related to our research areas. The Department has identified urban environments as an overarching research theme.

Western University delivers an academic experience second to none. Western challenges the best and brightest faculty, staff and students to commit to the highest global standards. Our research excellence

expands knowledge and drives discovery with real-world application. Western attracts individuals with a broad worldview, seeking to study, influence and lead in the international community. Since 1878, The Western Experience has combined academic excellence with life-long opportunities for intellectual, social and cultural growth in order to better serve our communities.

Application must include the following: (1) Application for Full-Time Faculty Position form http://www.uwo.ca/facultyrelations/pdf/careers/Faculty/Application-FullTime-Faculty-Position-Form.pdf; (2) Letter of Interest/Statement of Academic Qualifications; (3) Curriculum Vitae; (4) Teaching Statement summarizing teaching experience, evidence of teaching effectiveness, and areas of teaching expertise; and (5) names, institutional affiliations and contact information (including email addresses) for three academic referees. Applications should be emailed to:

James Voogt, Chair Department of Geography Western University London, Ontario, N6A 5C2, Canada E-mail: geog-applications@uwo.ca

Electronic submissions are preferred.

The deadline for receipt of applications is September 30, 2017, or until position is filled.

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/visible minorities, Aboriginal persons, 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 Lelanya Milley, 519-661-2111 ext. 84004, or email legentral-perrym@uwo.ca.