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Assistant Professor of Youth Conservation Education at University of Missouri

Assistant Professor (Tenure-Track) in Youth Conservation Education School of Natural Resources College of Agriculture, Food and Natural Resources University of Missouri Position Description: Assistant Professor in Youth Conservation Education within the School of Natural Resources at the University of Missouri. This is a 12-month, full-time, tenure-track endowed position with 70% research and 30% teaching/outreach responsibilities. Salary is commensurate with experience. Starting Date: August 2016 Responsibilities: The incumbent will be expected to develop a nationally-prominent research program focused on evaluation of the efficacy of conservation education strategies, curricula and programs targeting youth and families. The faculty holding this position will be expected to garner substantial extramural funding to supplement endowed funding in support of research and outreach. Teaching responsibilities will include 1-2 courses per year (at least one at the graduate level) related to conservation/environmental education. Student advising and serving on graduate committees is also expected. The Prairie Fork Conservation Area http://prairiefork.missouri.edu/ (a site jointly administered by the School of Natural Resources and the Missouri Department of Conservation) is an ideal laboratory location and can be used to facilitate teaching, research, and outreach efforts. Qualifications: Candidates for the appointment should have or be close to completing a Ph.D./Ed.D., in environmental/natural resources education, youth programming, sustainability education, human dimensions of natural resources and/or or a closely related education-focused discipline. Preference will be given to candidates with experience working collaboratively with natural resource or youth education agencies and organizations within an outdoor recreation or informal education context. Candidates should demonstrate a record of or potential for a strong research program and outstanding teaching. Strong verbal and written communication skills are essential. About MU: MU, the flagship institution in the University of Missouri System, has over 35,000 undergraduate and graduate students. It is a land grant institution and a member of the Association of American Universities. Located midway between St. Louis and Kansas City, Columbia is a vibrant university town that is consistently ranked among the top small cities to live in America. The School of Natural Resources awards B.S., M.S., and Ph.D. degrees in Natural Resources with emphasis in multiple sub-disciplines. Detailed information about the programs and faculty is available at http://snr.missouri.edu. The School operates many laboratory and greenhouse facilities and has access to extensive field areas available within the College of Agriculture's Farms and Centers Network (http://cafnr.missouri.edu/research/aes.php). Application: To apply for this position, please visit the MU web site at http://hrs.missouri.edu/find-a-job/academic/. Please submit a cover letter, curriculum vitae, narratives of teaching and research interests and the names and contact information of three references. Review of applications will begin on March 7, 2016 and will continue until the position is filled. For additional information about the position, please contact: Sonja Wilhelm Stanis, sonjaws@missouri.edu Benefit Eligibility: This position is eligible for University benefits. The University offers a comprehensive benefits package, including medical, dental and vision plans, retirement, and educational fee discounts. For additional information on University benefits, please visit the Faculty & Staff Benefits website at http://www.umsystem.edu/totalrewards/benefits. Equal Employment Opportunity: The University of Missouri is an equal access, equal opportunity, affirmative action employer that is fully committed to achieving a diverse faculty and staff. For more information, call the Associate Vice Chancellor of Human Resource Services/Affirmative Action officer at 573-882-4256. The University of Missouri is fully committed to achieving the goal of a diverse and inclusive academic community of faculty, staff and students. We seek individuals who are committed to this goal and our core campus values of respect, responsibility, discovery and excellence. To request ADA accommodations, please call Human Resource Services at 573-882-7976. TTY users, please call through Relay Missouri, 1-800-RELAY (735-2966) or en Español at 1-800-520-7309. MU makes available to applicants a security report of crimes that occurred on campus over the previous three years. For a copy of this report, contact the University Police Department at (573) 882-5923 or access their web site at: http://www.mupolice.com/.