Job: Tenure-track Plant Biologist at Vassar College

Note: Although the ad is for a plant physiologist, we are interested more broadly in plant biologists who can teach plant physiology.

The Department of Biology at Vassar College invites applications for a tenure-track position in plant physiology, at the rank of Assistant Professor, beginning in the Fall semester of 2018. Vassar College is an affirmative action and equal opportunity employer with a strong commitment to increasing the diversity of the campus community and the curriculum and promoting an environment of equality, inclusion and respect for difference. Candidates who can contribute to that goal are encouraged to identify their strengths and experiences in this area. Applicants who have demonstrated commitment to diversity and inclusion are particularly encouraged to apply.

We seek a broadly trained plant physiologist working in terrestrial or aquatic systems. Areas of focus may include but are not limited to abiotic and biotic interactions, climate change, reproduction and development, energetics and photosynthesis, biotechnology and food production. The successful candidate will teach at all levels of the curriculum, including introductory biology, an intermediate plant physiology course with laboratory, and an advanced seminar in the candidate’s area of interest. The Biology Department encourages participation and teaching in Vassar’s multidisciplinary Environmental Studies and Science, Technology, & Society programs.

The successful candidate will have a dedicated research laboratory and office, a student research assistant, start-up funds, and access to shared research facilities and equipment including a greenhouse, 15 climate-controlled growth chambers, and a 415-acre Ecological Preserve with a well-equipped field station. Development of a productive research program with student participation is expected. A Ph.D. in the
biological sciences is required; postdoctoral experience is preferred.

All applications should be submitted online at
https://employment.vassar.edu/applicants/Central?quickFind=52291

Upload the following: cover letter, curriculum vitae, concise statement on research interests and goals, concise statement on teaching interests and philosophy, concise statement on diversity and inclusive pedagogy, and graduate school transcript(s).
Additionally, please submit up to three representative publications, and arrange, with referees, for submission of at least three letters of recommendation to the above site.

Review of applications begins September 23, 2017 and continues until the position is filled. Please direct questions regarding the position or application process to Kathleen Susman, Chair of Biology (kasusman@vassar.edu).