Term Assistant Professor in Conservation Biology: Smithsonian-Mason School of Conservation

Note that this position has changed slightly from a previous posting (now a 12-month instead of 9-month position). The link has also been updated. Please share with any interested colleagues.

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George Mason University seeks a full-time, Term Instructional Professor position in Conservation Biology for the 2018-19 Academic Year (nine-month appointment, renewable) to participate in the Smithsonian-Mason School of Conservation (SMSC) (http://smconservation.gmu.edu/). The position will be based at the Smithsonian Conservation Biology Institute (SCBI) in Front Royal, Va. (https://nationalzoo.si.edu/conservation). George Mason University has a strong institutional commitment to the achievement of excellence and diversity among its faculty and staff, and strongly encourages candidates to apply who will enrich Mason's academic and culturally inclusive environment.

Responsibilities:

In this unique immersive teaching framework, the successful applicant will work as part of a team of core faculty to provide instruction for a diverse portfolio of academic programming, including the Smithsonian-Mason Semester for Conservation Studies, an in-residence program for undergraduate students based at SCBI that emphasizes interdisciplinary, field, and lab-intensive coursework. This program focuses on building conservation-related skills and professional development opportunities for students interested in becoming conservation professionals. Faculty should expect to engage in at least 16-20 contact hours with students weekly. Additional duties will include continued planning for the undergraduate program.

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Required Qualifications:

. Ph.D.;
. Demonstrated dedication to teaching; and
. Professional experience in a conservation-oriented field that will intersect with and add diversity to current programming and courses (see courses at http://smconservation.gmu.edu/programs/).

Special Instructions to Applicants

For full consideration, applicants must apply for position number F112Az at http://jobs.gmu.edu/; complete and submit the online application; and upload a cover letter, CV, a list of three professional references with contact information, and a teaching vita that includes a teaching philosophy and summary of evaluations and course development work.

Review of applications begins after October 9, 2017, and will continue until the position is filled. The start date for this position is June 1, 2018, or earlier. Information about the SMSC may be obtained at http://smconservation.gmu.edu or by contacting Kathy Stewart mailto:kstewa21@gmu.edu.