Instructor in Invertebrate Biology

Employer: Department of Biological Sciences, Faculty of Science, University of Calgary

Location: Calgary, Alberta

Deadline: 4/30/2016

The Department of Biological Sciences, Faculty of Science, at the University of Calgary invites applications for a full-time, tenure-track, Instructor in Invertebrate Biology. The primary activity for faculty members in the Instructor-stream is in teaching and learning, especially in undergraduate programs. Scholarship (pedagogical and discipline-specific) and service are also expected, but form smaller components of the position. We seek a broadly trained individual familiar with systematics who can teach both lab-based and field-based courses to enrich our undergraduate programs and complement existing strengths in animal physiology, development, comparative anatomy and paleobiology. Preference will be given to candidates with strengths in aquatic invertebrate biology.

The successful candidate will teach a range of invertebrate zoology courses, including courses integrating invertebrate systematics, diversity, function, behaviour and ecology. There will also be the possibility of teaching advanced topics in invertebrate zoology at the senior undergraduate level and supervising undergraduate research projects. Responsibilities also include participation in pedagogical, course, and program development.

Applicants must have a Ph.D. in Zoology. Post-doctoral experience will be an asset. The successful candidate will have a strong record of teaching experience and possess a broad knowledge and interest in biological education pedagogy. Candidates must demonstrate a strong commitment to teaching and learning as evidenced by established successes and use of contemporary approaches to teaching, and a desire to support student learning inside and outside of the classroom.

Application deadline is April 30, 2016. Short-listed candidates will be contacted for an interview.

The University of Calgary believes that a respectful workplace, equal opportunity and building a diverse workforce contribute to the richness of the environment for teaching, learning and research, and provide faculty, staff, students and the public with a university that reflects the society it serves. All qualified candidates are encouraged to apply; however Canadians and permanent residents will be given priority. In this connection, at the time of your application, please answer the following questions: Are you a Canadian citizen or a permanent resident of Canada? (Yes/No)

How to apply: Applicants should submit a curriculum vitae, statement of teaching interests, evidence of teaching effectiveness, and the names and contact information of three references to:

Dr. Robert Barclay, Head, Department of Biological Sciences
The Department of Biology at the University is committed to student engagement and creating an innovative, student-centered learning environment. Information about the Department and its programs can be found at http://bio.ucalgary.ca.

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To succeed as one of Canada's top universities, where new ideas are created, tested and applied through first-class teaching and research, the University of Calgary needs more of the best minds in our classrooms and labs. We're increasing our scholarly capacity by investing in people who want to change the world, bringing the best and brightest to Calgary to form a global intellectual hub and achieve advances that matter to everyone.

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