ASSISTANT PROFESSOR OF HUMAN DIMENSIONS OF WILDLIFE CONSERVATION
Department of Wildlife, Fisheries, and Conservation Biology
University of Maine

RESPONSIBILITIES: This is a full-time (9 month/academic-year) tenure-track position in the Department of Wildlife, Fisheries, and Conservation Biology.

The candidate will develop a research and teaching program on the social science realm of fish, wildlife and habitat conservation. Candidates who can effectively bring social science tools to interdisciplinary research teams addressing emerging questions with local to global significance will be most competitive. An empirical component to research on the human dimensions of wildlife conservation and the policy aspects of wildlife and fisheries conservation as conducted by state and federal agencies, non-governmental organizations, and private landowners is desired. Knowledge of and willingness to research and teach about conservation and recovery of endangered species and habitats in the context of federal and state legislation and multiple stakeholder objectives is also desirable but not required.

The candidate will be expected to develop an extramurally supported research program that is relevant to Maine and the northeastern U.S. and which is informed and recognized by researchers both nationally and internationally. We are especially interested in applicants who apply innovative approaches in research and teaching that will complement the Department’s current strengths and foster integrative approaches to solving complex problems. Collaborations with other scientists, governmental agencies, non-governmental organizations, and with private landowners are expected. The faculty appointment is 50% research and 50% teaching; teaching responsibilities will include primary responsibility for two senior-level courses: Human Dimensions of Fisheries and Wildlife Conservation (3 credits) and Wildlife Policy and Administration (3 credits). In addition, the candidate will be expected to teach an upper-level Endangered Species course (3 credits) and a graduate course in a relevant field of expertise in alternate years. This results in a three-course (up to 9 credit hours) annual teaching assignment plus undergraduate advising in academics and research. The faculty member is expected to have a strong interest in education, to advise and mentor undergraduate students, and to recruit and train graduate students, as well as serve on departmental, college, and university committees, be active in professional societies, and be committed to the Land Grant University missions of teaching, research, outreach, and public service. As such, the candidate will be expected to develop an approved research project and to hold a faculty appointment in the Maine Agricultural and Forest Experiment Station.

QUALIFICATIONS: A Ph.D. is required by date of hire in a relevant discipline along with significant training and research experience in the application of social sciences to natural resources management, especially fish and wildlife.
A proven track record of conducting high-quality scientific research, as evidenced by publications in peer-reviewed journals, is required. Other evaluated measures of potential for success, such as prior success in obtaining funding, college level instruction, professional presentations, mentoring, and track record of interdisciplinary collaboration.

**TO APPLY:** Materials must be submitted electronically through the Employment at UMaine website - [https://umaine.hiretouch.com/applicant-login?jobID=31974](https://umaine.hiretouch.com/applicant-login?jobID=31974). You will need to create a profile and application including a 1) cover letter, 2) curriculum vitae, 3) statements of teaching and research interests, 4) details of post-secondary course work (copies of transcripts or other listing), and 5) a list of six potential references including contact information and professional affiliation. Review of applications will begin February 15, 2016, and will continue until the position is filled. **Incomplete applications cannot be considered.**

Questions regarding the position should be sent to: Dr. Aram Calhoun, Chair of the Search Committee, wlefacultysearch@maine.edu with subject heading "Human Dimensions of Wildlife Conservation Search."

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