Academic Teaching Staff (Assistant Lecturer) in Sustainable Forest Management

The Department of Renewable Resources (www.rr.ualberta.ca) invites applications for a full-time (12-month) **Academic Teaching Staff** (ATS, Assistant Lecturer) position in **Sustainable Forest Management**. In accordance with the ATS Agreement, this position will have an initial appointment of three years, with the possibility of extension and promotion to Associate Lecturer and Full Lecturer (Teaching Professor), subject to annual performance reviews. The position offers a comprehensive benefits package, which can be found at www.hrs.ualberta.ca. Salary will be commensurate with qualifications and experience.

This position will be a pivotal member of the departmental academic staff, focused on teaching, advising undergraduate and graduate students, and administering the course-based Masters programs in Sustainable Forest Management and International Forestry.

Key Duties & Responsibilities

- Teaching the equivalent of four 3-credit courses to students in our undergraduate and graduate forestry programs. Subject areas may include:
  - Dendrology, structure and function of trees (foundational)
  - Forest Ecology (foundational)
  - Forest Management (advanced)
  - Wildlife Management (advanced)
- Organizing or contributing to 1.5-credit graduate seminar courses, technical modules or field schools on subjects that may include:
  - Management and communication skills for professionals
  - Forestry field skills
  - Analytical and quantitative skills for professionals
- Advising students in developing capping research projects in the realm of Forestry and Wildlife Management.
- Support selected students with outstanding capping research projects to publish their work.
- Leadership in developing courses and the curriculum of the Masters of Forestry program with Specialization in Sustainable Forest Management (MF-SFM).
- Leadership in maintaining professional accreditation of the MF-SFM and the BSc in Forestry programs.
- Chairing the adjudication committee for MF-SFM program admissions.
- Administrative contributions to our International Forestry (MF-IF) and Environmental Wildlife Conservation (MF-EWC) specializations.
- Communications with professional organizations and industry stakeholders.

Qualifications

- A PhD degree in forestry, forest science, or related fields.
- A strong understanding of university pedagogy, student-centered learning techniques and experiential learning approaches.
- A track record of undergraduate and/or graduate-level teaching
- The desire to build a university career focused on student education for professional development.
- Ability to work collaboratively and engage with stakeholders from diverse backgrounds.
- Excellent communication skills, both written and verbal.
- Commitment to diversity, equity, and inclusion in education.

Desired Qualifications

- Practical experience in forest management and wildlife management
- Mentoring experience in classroom settings or university-level research settings
- Experience in program development and program administration.
- Professional certifications in relevant areas (e.g., Registered Professional Forester)
- Record of scientific publications

About us

The University of Alberta is one of Canada's largest and most-respected research and teaching universities with a student population of over 40,000. It is located in Edmonton, the provincial capital of Alberta, with a metropolitan area population of approximately one million people.

The Department of Renewable Resources comprises 30 faculty members and is nationally and internationally recognized for the quality of research and teaching. We train the next generation of researchers and professionals in the areas of environmental sciences, forest ecology and management, sustainable agriculture, reclamation and restoration of land and water, and soil sciences in the province and beyond.

Our close ties to the government and industry are unique in Canada and enhance the department's impact. The department has outstanding resources regarding space, infrastructure, core facilities, and excellent support staff. Our graduates are leaders in a diverse array of natural resources-related companies, academic institutions, provincial and federal agencies, and non-profit organizations.

Application Procedure

To apply for this position, please submit the following materials:

- Cover letter outlining your qualifications, teaching philosophy, and research interests.
- Curriculum vitae (CV) with teaching experience.
- Contact information for three professional references.
- Copies of relevant academic transcripts, teaching evaluations and certifications (if available).

Please contact Nadir Erbilgin (erbilgin@ualberta.ca) for questions and details regarding the position. Applications should be submitted electronically to cnohos@ualberta.ca by March 31, 2025. Review of applications will begin immediately and will continue until the position is filled. Only shortlisted candidates will be contacted for interviews.