Director/Associate Professor or Professor Environmental Science and Studies Fisher College of Science and Mathematics FCSM-N-2715

Position:

Towson University invites applications for the Director of the Environmental Science and Studies Program at the rank of Associate Professor or Professor. This is a senior position with leadership and management responsibilities for the undergraduate and graduate programs in the interdisciplinary Environmental Science and Studies Program. The position is a ten-month faculty appointment with a supplemental director's summer stipend and a reduced teaching load; it begins no later than August 21, 2014, and the base salary is commensurate with experience. As a faculty member, the successful candidate will join an appropriate department and will report to the Department Chair, and as Director, he or she will report to the appropriate Dean.

Responsibilities:

The Director will provide critically important leadership for the existing undergraduate and graduate programs, which involve faculty and resources from five colleges. Building on the program's strengths in the area of urban environmental issues, the Director will facilitate and enhance collaboration between existing faculty and develop outreach and applied research opportunities in the broader community. The Director, with input and support from the program's advisory committee, will lead the development of a blueprint for future program directions including sustainability and climate change education. The Director will also further Towson's mission to address the higher education and workforce needs of the region.

Qualifications:

Applicants should have an earned Ph.D. in a relevant discipline, leadership experience applicable to an academic setting, a record of success working in an interdisciplinary environment, a record of effective teaching and scholarship, and demonstrated experience obtaining external funding and establishing external partnerships. A broad knowledge of environmental science and emerging environmental policy issues as well as the ability to lead collaborative initiatives to obtain external funding from public and private entities will be important.

Towson University:

Founded in 1866, Towson University is now recognized by U.S. News & World Report as one of the top public universities in the Northeast and Mid-Atlantic regions. Towson is nationally recognized for its programs in the liberal arts and sciences, business, education, communications, health sciences, and the fine and performing arts. The University places a strong emphasis on service learning and civic engagement through such activities as internships, practica, clinical placements, course assignments, and student events. As the Baltimore area's largest university, Towson articulates its research and scholarship mission through partnerships that link the University to the economic, educational, and cultural life of the state of Maryland and the mid-Atlantic region. Towson enrolls more than 21,800 undergraduate and graduate students in 64 undergraduate majors, 44 master's programs and four doctoral programs. Located on a rolling 328 acres, the striking campus is eight miles north of downtown Baltimore and 45 miles from Washington, D.C. The campus and its surrounding cities provide an excellent environment for teaching and supporting the academic pursuits of the 830 full-time faculty who work at Towson University. For additional information, visit http://www.towson.edu.

Application Process:

Electronic submission of application materials is preferred. Interested applicants should submit a cover letter, a 3-page statement describing leadership background, skills, knowledge and experiences relevant to this position, curriculum vitae, and three current letters of reference. Address cover letter to Dr. Ryan E. Casey and send via email to racasey@towson.edu. Regular mail submissions, if necessary, should be sent to:

Dr. Ryan E. Casey Interim Director, Environmental Science and Studies Program Towson University 8000 York Rd. Towson, MD 21252-0001

Review of applications will begin on October 7, 2013. The position will remain open for applications until it is filled successfully.

Upon submitting your Curriculum Vitae to indicate you are an applicant for this position, please be sure to visit http://www.towson.edu/odeo/applicantdata.asp to complete a voluntary on-line applicant data form. The information you provide will inform the university's affirmative action plan and is for statistical purposes only and shall not be used to illegally discriminate for or against anyone.

Towson University is an equal opportunity/affirmative action employer and has a strong institutional commitment to diversity. Women, minorities, persons with disabilities, and veterans are encouraged to apply. This position is contingent on the availability of funds at the time of hire.