

St. Mary's College of Maryland: Academic Affairs: Environmental Studies Assistant Professor in Environmental Studies Location: St. Mary's City, Maryland

St. Mary's College of Maryland, a highly-selective, nationally-ranked, residential, four-year liberal arts public honors college located on the Chesapeake Bay 70 miles southeast of Washington, D.C., invites applications for a tenure-track, full-time position at the rank of Assistant Professor in Environmental Studies starting August 2017. St. Mary's College embodies diversity and inclusion in its mission. We create an environment that recognizes the value of individual and group differences and we encourage inquiries from applicants who will contribute to our cultural and ethnic diversity. The successful applicant will be an outstanding teacher, a rigorous scholar, and an innovative member of our growing academic community. Competitive candidates from a variety of disciplinary backgrounds who can effectively bridge environmental science and policy are encouraged to apply.

## Qualifications

We are especially interested in an individual with teaching interests focused on the intersection of environmental science and policy with expertise and an enthusiasm to teach in both the ENST Science Track and ENST Social Science & Policy Track of the ENST major and minor curriculum in addition to teaching a regular rotation of common core courses in the major. A strong candidate will have a PhD before August 2017, previous experience teaching in a liberal arts context, and a high level of commitment to creative, undergraduate education. Teaching responsibilities include six courses per year at the introductory, intermediate, and/or advanced levels, and advising. The development of an active research program involving undergraduates is expected. We encourage applicants who wish to create local, national or international field-studies opportunities. Service responsibilities include helping to develop the Environmental Studies program and to participate in our shared college governance. Regular teaching responsibilities will include ENST 100: Introduction to Environmental Studies, ENST 490: Environmental Keystone Seminar, ENST 250: Introduction to Environmental Science, ENST 285: Topics in Environmental Social Science and Policy, ENST 295: Topics in Environmental Science, and supervision and mentorship of students completing a yearlong St. Mary's Project. Examples of desirable courses to be taught under Topics in ENST and Advanced Topics in ENST include but are not limited to, natural resource policy or management (preferably concentrating on estuarine or coastal systems); environmental policy, law, or governance; environmental justice and social movements; energy policy; climate change, and ENST 382: GIS applications or other quantitative field methods.

St. Mary's currently has a newly established and popular major in environmental studies. We are most interested in finding a colleague equipped to develop our newly established major into a signature program. Additional desirable qualifications include: demonstrated ability to work collaboratively in an interdisciplinary environment; and evidenced ability to help students and community partners identify, analyze, and participate in real-world problem-solving. Research and recreational opportunities abound on the banks of the Chesapeake Bay and by virtue of our proximity to Washington, D.C. and Baltimore.

## **Application Instructions**

Applications accepted online only. To apply, applicants must submit the following application materials to Professor Sue Johnson, Chair, Search Committee, Environmental Studies Search at <a href="https://apply.interfolio.com/36600">https://apply.interfolio.com/36600</a>

- a cover letter (describing academic interests, experience, and brief description of potential courses)
- a CV
- a statement of teaching philosophy incorporating an explanation of how the applicant's teaching at the College will contribute to a culture of inclusion and campus diversity
- evidence of teaching and leadership effectiveness
- three letters of reference

Review of applications will begin immediately and continue until the position is filled. St. Mary's College of Maryland (www.smcm.edu) is an AA/EOE employer. Employment will be contingent upon successful completion of a criminal background check.

For questions about this position, please contact Professor Sue Johnson, Chair, Search Committee at <a href="mailto:sriphnson@smcm.edu">sriphnson@smcm.edu</a>