## Assistant Professor of Environmental Studies

St. Mary's College of Maryland, a 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 of 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.

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. We seek a faculty member who is broadly trained in Environmental Studies, an interdisciplinary teacher and scholar who will work collaboratively with the existing ENST faculty to develop the major and minor curriculum in ENST. While the specialty area is open, a competitive candidate for this position will contribute expertise that crosses and engages with at least two of the three ENST Tracks (Environmental Science, Social Science & Policy, Arts & Humanities), with a preference for a candidate capable of teaching upper level environmental science topics courses in addition to teaching a regular rotation of common core courses in the major. Teaching responsibilities include six courses per year at the introductory, intermediate, and/or advanced levels, and advising.

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, Topics courses in one or more of the ENST Tracks (Environmental Science, Environmental Humanities, and Environmental Social Science and Policy) and supervision and mentorship of students completing a yearlong St. Mary's Project. A competitive candidate will be able to demonstrate clear evidence of and a commitment to place-based, experiential, and applied learning. Two of the College's core values focus on civic engagement and environmental stewardship. The successful candidate will demonstrate the application of these values in a teaching and/or research agenda, ideally in ways that can directly engage with and capitalize on the geographic region, history, or mission of St. Mary's College of Maryland.

Applicants should have a PhD in hand before March 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. 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.

Applications accepted online only. To apply, applicants must submit the following application materials to Professor Sue Johnson, Chair, Search Committee, Environmental Studies Search at apply.interfolio.com/39735.

- 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
- a research statement
- evidence of teaching effectiveness

## • three letters of reference

For questions about this position, please contact Professor Sue Johnson, Chair, Search Committee at srjohnson@smcm.edu

Non-sectarian since its founding, St. Mary's College of Maryland has been designated as Maryland's public honors college. With highly selective admissions policies, academically talented students, and a rigorous curriculum, we offer a small college experience similar to that found at exceptional private colleges. St. Mary's faculty benefit from a comprehensive program of support for scholarship, research, travel, and curriculum development, including course releases for pre-tenure faculty and leaves for tenured faculty. The quality of life is enhanced by the recreational opportunities of the Chesapeake region and by our proximity to Washington, D.C. and Baltimore.

Review of applications will begin January 15, 2017 and continue until the position is filled. Employment will be contingent upon successful completion of a criminal background check. St. Mary's College of Maryland (www.smcm.edu) is an affirmative action/equal opportunity employer.

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