

ASSISTANT PROFESSOR OF ENVIRONMENTAL STUDIES: AMHERST COLLEGE

Environmental Scientist

The Department of Environmental Studies at Amherst College invites applications for a tenure-track environmental scientist at the rank of assistant professor whose research intersects with the challenges of climate change. The department is looking for a person with broad intellectual interests who is committed to teaching and working at a liberal arts college. The appointment will begin on July 1, 2020.

Amherst College is one of the most diverse liberal arts colleges in the country. Within the last decade, the college has profoundly transformed its student body in terms of socioeconomic status, ethnicity, race, sexuality and gender identity, and nationality. Today, nearly one-quarter of Amherst's students are Pell grant recipients; 45 percent of our students identify as domestic students of color; and 10 percent of our students are international students. Our expectation is that the successful candidate for this position will excel at teaching and mentoring students who are broadly diverse with regard to race, ethnicity, socioeconomic status, gender, nationality, sexual orientation, and religion. Amherst College has an Office of Environmental Sustainability and is committed to a Climate Action Plan that will bring the college to carbon neutrality by 2030. Amherst also supports the onsite Book and Plow Farm.

The successful candidate is expected to establish a high-quality research program that involves undergraduates. Start-up funding, additional forms of institutional support, state-of-the-art facilities, and a generous leave policy are available to support faculty. Successful candidates will have a strong grounding in quantitative methods and are expected to develop an environmental science course and additional courses in their specialization, and participate in interdisciplinary team-taught introductory and/or senior capstone courses in environmental studies. A Ph.D. is required, and postdoctoral experience is preferred.

Candidates are asked to submit electronically to https://apply.interfolio.com/64146 a cover letter, curriculum vitae, and separate research and teaching statements and to arrange for three confidential letters of recommendation. Review of applications will begin on October 7, 2019, and applications received by this date will receive full consideration. The search will remain open until the position is filled.

For more information about this position, and about Amherst's Department of Environmental Studies, visit: https://www.amherst.edu/academiclife/departments/environmental_studies. For questions about the position or the application process, please contact Diane Hutton, academic department coordinator of environmental studies (dbhutton@amherst.edu; 413-542-2233). Amherst College is an Equal Opportunity Employer and encourages women, persons of color, and persons with disabilities to apply. The college is committed to enriching the educational experience it offers through the diversity of its faculty, administration and staff.

Amherst College is a private undergraduate liberal arts college with 1,800 students and a teaching faculty of more than two hundred. Located in the Connecticut River Valley of western Massachusetts, Amherst participates with Hampshire, Mount Holyoke and Smith Colleges and the University of Massachusetts in the Five College Consortium.