ASSISTANT PROFESSOR OF ENVIRONMENTAL STUDIES

The Department of Environmental Studies at Wofford College seeks an environmental humanist to join our multidisciplinary team of faculty as a tenure-track assistant professor, starting in the fall semester of 2020.

QUALIFICATIONS:
Qualified candidates will have a terminal degree (e.g. Ph.D. or MFA) in an area of environmental studies or closely related field. Applicants with expertise in environmental writing, literature and/or film, who are intellectually engaged in national and/or international environmental issues and conversations, are highly preferred.

EXPECTATIONS:
Wofford faculty are expected to be creative teacher-scholars with a high aptitude for and interest in undergraduate teaching, a commitment to the liberal arts, and a desire to involve undergraduates in scholarship. The teaching load includes three courses each semester and a four-week January focused-study Interim term. To earn tenure, faculty are expected to demonstrate excellence in teaching, continued scholarly development, and service to the college.

The successful candidate will teach an environmental humanities core course taken by all environmental studies majors and minors; applicants are encouraged to discuss how they might incorporate a range of humanities perspectives (e.g. literature, creative arts, philosophy, religion) into this course. They also will teach upper level courses within their specialty area and a topical seminar that fulfills a requirement for students in their first semester at Wofford. All department faculty periodically teach our four-credit interdisciplinary introductory seminar, capstone courses, and senior seminar, and we mentor senior capstone projects that reflect the diverse interests of environmental studies students.

The new faculty member actively will engage in the department’s valued tradition of field studies and experiential education and will interact with students at our Goodall Environmental Studies Center. Demonstrated experience and enthusiasm for interdisciplinary teaching and research will be valued in the search process. The ideal candidate also will embrace the collaborative spirit that characterizes the college.

ABOUT THE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL STUDIES:
Our Department of Environmental Studies provides the foundation for students to address the complex environmental problems of their generation, recognizing that approaches from the humanities and arts, natural sciences and social sciences are all needed for effective local, regional and global change. Field experiences foster the wonder and love for natural environments that motivate our students’ personal and professional choices. Environmental Studies BA and BS graduates have entered the fields of conservation, law, business, energy, land and resource management, environmental science and engineering, among others. Please visit our website, www.wofford.edu/environmentalstudies, to learn more about our program, the Goodall Center, and sustainability efforts at Wofford College.
APPLICATION:
To apply, please send: (1) a cover letter describing your experience and how you meet the qualifications of this position; (2) a current curriculum vitae; (3) a statement of teaching philosophy; and (4) the names and contact information for minimally three professional references to ENVS-search@wofford.edu. Applications received by midnight Oct. 11, 2019, will be provided full review and consideration.