Open Position: Lecturer with Potential for Security of Employment

The Department of Evolution and Ecology (EVE) invites applications for a full-time Lecturer with Potential for Security of Employment (LPSOE). Faculty in LPSOE positions are eligible for promotion to Lecturer with Security of Employment (LSOE), the equivalent of tenure for ladder rank faculty. LPSOE/LSOE faculty are Academic Senate faculty members whose expertise and responsibilities center on undergraduate education and on the scholarly analysis and improvement of teaching methods. We are interested in candidates with expertise and teaching ability in Ecology, Evolution or related areas (e.g. ecological or evolutionary focused research in biodiversity, genetics, genomics, phylogenetics, conservation, or behavior).

The successful applicant will be responsible for teaching lower, and possibly upper division undergraduate biology classes, as well as developing large-enrollment General Education courses for non-biologists. S/he will also be responsible for working with other faculty and LPSOE’s within the college to develop, implement, and assess course learning objectives and new pedagogical methods, and to promote the Evolution, Ecology and Biodiversity major. S/he will be expected to develop a record of excellence in teaching; as well as professional achievement through a research program in biological science education, assessment strategies, and/or research and publication in an academic discipline (in conjunction with mentoring of undergraduate students); and to play a leadership role in teaching and learning through service to the campus, community and/or profession.

Qualified applicants must have a (1) a Ph.D. in a biological science, (2) experience conducting scientific research in ecology, evolution or a related area, as demonstrated by published research in peer-reviewed journals; (3) potential or demonstrated excellence in teaching within their discipline. We prefer applicants with postdoctoral training in ecology, evolution (or related fields), or in science education. Other preferred qualifications include documented success in some or all of the following areas: teaching large undergraduate classes; use of evidence-based teaching practices; use of modern instructional technology; ability to identify and develop effective teaching strategies for diverse student populations; conducting life sciences education or assessment research; mentoring undergraduates in research, including those from diverse backgrounds; and curriculum and/or course design. Salary will be commensurate with education and experience.

Closing date: open until filled, but all application materials, including letters of recommendation, must be received by November 14, 2016 to be assured full consideration. We are hoping to interview in January 2017. Applicants should submit materials online at:


Please submit a cover letter; curriculum vitae; a teaching statement that describes both teaching experience of and proposed teaching and research/leadership activities (not to exceed four pages); a research statement that describes disciplinary background and accomplishments (not to
exceed two pages); a statement of contributions to diversity; a sample course syllabus and lecture material (e.g., PowerPoint slides) for one lecture (optional); and summaries of teaching evaluations from three courses (optional).

Applicants should also arrange to have three referees submit supporting letters online at the above website that can attest to your teaching experience and abilities as well as your disciplinary knowledge in chosen field. These letters are due by November 14, 2016. The administrative contact is Carla Munoz, camunoz@ucdavis.edu, and the faculty contact is Gail Patricelli, gpatricelli@ucdavis.edu. More information on the EVE department and the College of Biological Sciences is available online: (http://www-eve.ucdavis.edu/; http://biosci.ucdavis.edu/index_js.html)

The University of California is an affirmative action/equal opportunity employer committed to excellence through diversity and strongly encourages applications from all qualified applicants, including women and minorities. UC Davis is responsive to the needs of dual career couples, is dedicated to work-life balance through an array of family-friendly policies, and is the recipient of an NSF ADVANCE Award for gender equity.