



Tenure Track Position for Interdisciplinary Environmental Sociologist

The Department of Sociology, Social Work & Anthropology in collaboration with the Ecology Center at Utah State University invite applications for an Assistant or Associate Professor of Sociology beginning August 2013. **We seek to fill this position with a sociologist or allied social scientist whose primary research interests include the human dimensions of environmental problems.** Preference will be given to candidates with substantial experience integrating social, cultural and institutional factors into interdisciplinary studies of coupled human-natural water systems, particularly in urban and urbanizing areas.

This unique opportunity is linked to a recently awarded cooperative agreement between the National Science Foundation and the state designed to expand the capacity of Utah's research faculty to conduct interdisciplinary research to address water sustainability challenges along the greater Wasatch Front (see iutahescor.org). The person hired will have full access to iUTAH resources, will participate in iUTAH activities as appropriate, and will be expected to collaborate on new interdisciplinary NSF grant proposals relevant to the iUTAH theme. Although the position is a permanent tenure-eligible 9-month appointment, iUTAH funds allow us to guarantee 12 months of salary for the first 4 years (after which time extramural funds can be used to sustain summer salary).

The successful candidate will initially have a 70% research appointment, with a 1:1 teaching load and service consistent with a faculty role in a Doctoral Research Extensive University. They will be expected to offer an interdisciplinary graduate course each year in their area of specialization, as well as contributing to core sociology curriculum needs, possibly including research methods, environmental and natural resource sociology, social psychology, states and markets and/or the sociology of law and policy. Successful candidates must have a PhD as of employment date, and demonstrated accomplishment and/or clear potential for success in research, extramural funding, teaching and mentoring. Candidates at the advanced assistant or early associate professor rank with a strong track record of interdisciplinary research experience are particularly encouraged to apply.

The tenure track home for the position will be in the Sociology program at USU, which is housed within the Department of Sociology, Social Work and Anthropology (SSW&A) and the College of Humanities and Social Sciences (sociology.usu.edu). The program offers both the M.S. and Ph.D. degrees in sociology with doctoral specializations in Environment & Community, States & Markets, and Demography. The program also serves approximately 400 sociology majors and minors and provides service courses to the broader university community. Successful candidates will also have a partial appointment as a Faculty Associate with the USU Ecology Center (www.usu.edu/ecology) and will be expected to participate in Ecology Center activities. They will join a growing community of social and natural scientists at USU interested in collaborative research.

Utah State University is a land-grant university founded in 1888. The university is a Carnegie Doctoral Extensive research institution with approximately 29,000 students (26,000 undergraduates and 3,000 graduate students) from all 50 states and over 80 foreign countries. The USU campus is located in Logan, Utah. Logan is located in a picturesque mountain valley with a population of over 110,000, 80 miles north of Salt Lake City. Ski resorts, lakes, rivers, and mountains in the area make it one of the finest outdoor recreation environments in the nation.

Review of applications will begin November 15, 2012 and continue until the position is filled. Applications should be completed on-line at: <http://jobs.usu.edu/applicants/Central?quickFind=57940>. Applicants must provide 1) a statement of interest addressing the position criteria, 2) curriculum vitae, 3) the names and email addresses of three references, 4) statement of research interests, 5) three representative manuscripts, and 6) evidence of teaching performance or teaching philosophy. Three letters of reference must be submitted directly by referees through the USU employment website. Questions regarding the position or search procedures should be directed to Dr. Douglas Jackson-Smith, Search Committee Chair, (435) 797-0582, doug.jackson-smith@usu.edu, 0730 Old Main Hill, SSW&A, Utah State University, Logan, UT 84322-0730; FAX: 435-797-1240. Utah State University is an affirmative action/equal opportunity employer and is dedicated to recruiting stellar candidates from a diverse pool including women, minorities, veterans and people with disabilities. USU offers competitive salaries and outstanding medical, retirement and professional benefits (<http://www.usu.edu/hr/>).