

HUMBOLDT STATE UNIVERSITY

VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT

TENURE-TRACK POSITION IN Forestry and Wildland Resources

Wildland Fire Ecology and management

STARTING AUGUST 2012

JOB #7517

DESCRIPTION: Humboldt State University's Department of Forestry and Wildland Resources invites applications for an academic year tenure-track position specializing in **Wildland Fire Ecology and Management**.

RANK, SALARY AND BENEFITS: We seek to fill this position at the Assistant/Associate Professor level. Initial salary will be commensurate with qualifications and experience. The California State University Salary Schedule is available at: <http://www.humboldt.edu/aps/docs/Salary-Schedule.xls>.

Humboldt State University provides an excellent benefits package for faculty. Information about the benefits plans available to HSU faculty can be found at the following website:

http://www.calstate.edu/Benefits/Summaries/2007_Faculty-Unit%203.pdf.

PROFESSIONAL QUALIFICATIONS: A Ph.D. or equivalent in Forestry or closely related field specializing in Wildland Fire Ecology and Management from an accredited college or university is preferred at the time of appointment (SAF Accreditation not required). Applicants with considerable progress towards degree completion by appointment date will be considered. Completion of the terminal degree is required prior to the start of the second probationary year.

The successful candidate must demonstrate the following:

- Potential for effective teaching or teaching experience using a variety of methodologies;
- Potential for or record of research, scholarly and/or creative activity involving students whenever possible;
- Ability and/or interest in teaching a broad range of courses to diverse students (majors, general education students, etc.); and
- Ability and/or interest in preparing individuals to function in a culturally and ethnically diverse society.

At the time of appointment, the successful candidate, if not a U.S. citizen, must have authorization from the Bureau of Citizenship and Immigration Services to work in the United States.

Evidence of degree(s) is required at time of hire.

PROFESSIONAL DUTIES: Candidates should be committed to teaching excellence and to building a strong research record. The successful candidate may teach the following topic areas: fire ecology, introduction to wildland fire, wildland fire behavior, wildland fuels, and wildland fire management. In addition, the candidate may teach general wildland-based courses. Instructional assignments will be consistent with the programmatic needs of the department and students.

The primary professional responsibilities of instructional faculty members are teaching, research, scholarship, creative activity, and service to the University, profession and to the community. Service responsibilities include: advising students, participation in campus and system-wide committees, maintaining office hours, working collaboratively and productively with colleagues, and participation in traditional academic functions.

GENERAL INFORMATION: Humboldt State University is part of the 23-campus California State University system. The University has a comprehensive arts and sciences curriculum, which is recognized nationally for its high academic quality. Founded in 1913, HSU is one of the premier, public institutions in the western United States; it is a residential and rural campus with an enrollment of approximately 8,000 students. The main campus is located in Arcata, California, in the northwestern part of the state along the coast, situated among redwood trees in an area that offers unmatched scenic beauty, moderate climate and opportunities for outdoor activities. The surrounding Humboldt County locale has a population of 130,000. The community offers an excellent range of businesses, services and cultural activities/performances. The local schools are ranked in the top performance percentiles, both nationally and in the state.

The Department of Forestry and Wildland Resources is one of the largest undergraduate forestry programs in the western United States and celebrated its 50th anniversary in 2004. Over 2,400 alumni have graduated from the program since inception. Because of our proximity to forests, our classes are distinguished by field-based laboratory instruction. A nearby city forest, a campus-owned tree farm and nearby private, state and federal forestlands give students the resources to get valuable field experience. In addition, our department's Wildland Fire Laboratory is among the most well-equipped fire research facilities of any university in the United States.

Information about the College of Natural Resources and Sciences can be found at:

<http://www.humboldt.edu/cnrs/>. Information about the Department of Forestry and Wildland Resources can be found at: <http://www.humboldt.edu/fwr/>.

Humboldt State University is committed to achieving the goals of equal opportunity and endeavors to employ faculty and staff of the highest quality reflecting the ethnic and cultural diversity of the State. Information about Humboldt State University can be found at: <http://www.humboldt.edu>.

APPLICATION: Qualified candidates should send a letter of application, curriculum vita, graduate transcripts (unofficial copies are sufficient for initial review), a statement of teaching and research interests, and the names and contact information for three professional references. Confidential reference letters may be requested in the later stage of the search. Application materials should be sent to:

Dr. John Stuart, Search Committee Chair
Department of Forestry and Wildland Resources
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Arcata, California 95521-8299
Phone (707) 826-3823 / Fax (707) 826-5634

Application materials submitted electronically should be sent in a single PDF document, in the order listed above, to: firesearch@humboldt.edu. Please do not send application materials via fax.

In letter of application, please refer to **Job #7517**.

APPLICATION DEADLINE: This position is open until filled. First consideration will be given to completed applications received no later than **March 20, 2012**. Early response is encouraged. Please direct any questions about the position to: john.stuart@humboldt.edu.

The University is an Equal Opportunity/Title IX/ADA employer with a strong commitment to diversity and encourages applications from women, members of all ethnic groups, veterans and people with disabilities. Humboldt State University employs only individuals authorized to work in the United States.