University of British Columbia Faculty of Forestry

Tenure-track Assistant or Associate Professor in Outdoor Recreation and Tourism Studies

The Department of Forest Resources Management in the Faculty of Forestry at the University of British Columbia (UBC), Vancouver, Canada seeks a tenure-track or tenured position at the Assistant or Associate Professor level in outdoor recreation and tourism. The successful applicant is expected to play a key role in undergraduate teaching in recreation planning and management, the social and cultural values of nature, and related aspects of urban forestry, as well as supervising graduate students and conducting research in the recreation field.

The UBC Faculty of Forestry is one of the world's leading academic institutions in forestry, conducting both national and international research, and providing undergraduate and postgraduate education in five programs: Urban Forestry, Forest Resources Management, Forest Operations, Natural Resources Conservation, and Wood Products Processing.

Candidates for this position must have a Ph.D. in outdoor recreation or a related field. Preference will be given to candidates with a demonstrated track record in teaching and research related to outdoor recreation planning, modelling, management, tourism, and/or the socio-cultural dimensions of recreation. It is expected that the successful candidate will maintain a strong research program on recreation in urban, suburban, rural, and natural settings. The candidate should be comfortable working with interdisciplinary perspectives, within an international research and teaching context, and applying their knowledge to urban forestry and related planning, policy and management domains. The candidate should have demonstrated success in publishing in relevant peer-reviewed literature and in attracting significant research funding.

The individual should have interests and experience in one or more of the following areas:

- Recreation values, quality of life and cultural ecosystem services
- Recreation resource assessment and geo-spatial skills mapping
- Recreation and park management in changing landscapes
- Recreation and park planning, tourism management, and recreation demand
- Recreational, leisure and other socio-cultural aspects of nature in the city (e.g., related to outdoor education), greenspace management, active transportation, and green infrastructure.

Experience and/or scholarly research in the following areas is also desirable:

- Mixed (quantitative and qualitative) social science research methods
- Recreation and tourism economics
- Sustainability, wellbeing, climate change, conservation, community engagement and eco-tourism.

Since this position will play an important role in teaching at both the undergraduate and graduate levels, evidence of post-secondary teaching ability and experience is essential.

Teaching responsibilities will include one or more core courses offered under the Urban Forestry and allied programs, as well as a graduate course or other courses related to recreation and tourism. The successful applicant is expected to play a key role in shaping the future of the Bachelor of Urban Forestry, and will be expected to contribute to the Faculty's strategic aims and graduate student research.

UBC hires on the basis of merit and is strongly committed to equity and diversity within its community. All qualified persons are encouraged to apply; however, Canadian citizens and permanent residents in Canada will be given priority. We especially welcome applications from members of visible minority groups, women, Aboriginal persons, persons with disabilities, persons of minority sexual orientations and gender identities, and others with the skills and knowledge to engage productively with diverse communities.

Your application should include curriculum vitae, a statement of research and teaching interests relevant to the position, up to three citations (or pdf's) of recent publications that highlight your contribution to the field, and the names, addresses and e-mail addresses of three people to provide professional references. Please also indicate in your application if you are a Canadian or permanent resident of Canada. Please send applications to:

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The deadline for applications is **December 22, 2016**. The expected starting date for this position is July 1, 2017.