

Lead Field Instructor Position Announcement

Description

Renowned for its accredited researched-based undergraduate field programs, Wildlands Studies seeks candidates holding an MSc or PhD to be the Lead Instructor for new field programs. Students consistently report that their Wildlands Studies experience added depth and meaning to their on-campus classes and "changed their lives". Wildlands Studies instructors enhance their own credentials with unique opportunities to teach in the field while engaging students in active research.

The Lead Instructor will direct students on an academically rigorous, wilderness-based six-week field study to explore habitats and cultures of specific international locales, with the aim to offer the course repeatedly each year. Students earn 15 quarter credits for three field classes covering Environmental Studies, Field Research Practices, and Environment and Culture. Lead Instructor is responsible for on-going seminars, lectures, instruction, guided field work and field methods, and assessment of all student work, as well as group dynamics and the overall well-being of participants. Compensation is competitive.

Requirements

Knowledge and experience of field study location required. Applicants must have graduate degree in hand. A qualified Lead Instructor will have experience leading field study programs and teaching at the undergraduate level, specifically upper division environmental studies classes; a good sense of humor, flexibility, patience, and understanding; and the know-how to work with and manage 16 students and the group dynamics that occur on a six-week field study.

Program Dates

We are currently accepting proposals for our 2020-2021 academic year (Summer 2020, Fall 2020, Winter 2021, Spring 2021). We especially need a new international six-week program starting Summer 2020, and would like to add one more international six week program in Spring 2021. Our instructors tend to stay for several years, and strong candidates would need to be in a position to establish a program in 2020-2021 and continue to lead for at least a couple following years. Locations that include a wildlife study are always preferred. Review www.wildlandsstudies.com for details.

Application Process

Review website and current course offerings to ensure understanding of program requirements. Submit CV, cover letter detailing experience with course topics/field study experience <u>and</u> brief initial course proposal. WS staff will work with applicants on formal proposals. Application materials to <u>positions@wildlandsstudies.com</u>.