TENURE-TRACK POSITION IN BIOLOGY: MICROBIOLOGIST

The Department of Biology at Northeastern Illinois University invites applications for a tenure-track position at the ASSISTANT PROFESSOR level to begin September 2011. We seek a candidate who is using innovative and interdisciplinary approaches that address either basic or applied biological problems using microbial models. Areas of interest include, but are not limited to, bacteriology, mycology, host-pathogen interactions, environmental microbiology, genetics, genomics, and evolution.

The successful candidate will have a strong commitment to excellence in teaching, experience with and/or a commitment to using and developing innovative teaching methods, and the ability to engage graduate and undergraduate students in research. Teaching responsibilities will include general microbiology, courses in an area of specialization, and general biology. In addition to teaching and maintaining an active research program, the successful candidate will also be expected to collaborate with NEIU’s Student Center for Science Engagement and other NEIU units to enhance our students’ preparation for post-baccalaureate studies, and to participate in service to the department, college and university. An earned doctorate in microbiology or a related field is required; teaching experience is desirable, but not required.

Northeastern Illinois University is a comprehensive state university of approximately 12,000 commuter students located on the northwest side of Chicago and is recognized as having the most ethnically diverse student body in the Midwest.

To apply for the position, please submit a single, electronic PDF that contains the following materials in the following order: (1) a cover letter describing your interest in the position; (2) a current curriculum vitae; (3) a teaching statement that describes your teaching experience and philosophy, plans for an introductory microbiology course, and a list of courses (both undergraduate- and graduate-level) you feel qualified to teach; (4) a research statement that includes current and future research goals and plans and their relevance to this position; (5) a diversity statement that describes your experience with diverse populations of students and the importance of diversity in teaching and research communities; and (6) an unofficial graduate transcript. Send the complete PDF to Biology@neiu.edu.

In addition, please provide three reference letters that address both research and teaching potential as they relate to this position. Letters should be submitted as PDFs directly to Dr. John Kasmer (Department Chair) at Biology@neiu.edu.

Review of applications will begin on 15 November 2010, and continue until position is filled. For further information, contact Dr. John Kasmer via e-mail (j-kasmer@neiu.edu). Women and minority candidates are especially encouraged to apply. AA/EOE.