The Sociology Department at Western Kentucky University seeks applicants for a nine-month tenure-track position at the level of assistant professor beginning August 2012. Applicants must have demonstrated expertise in quantitative research methodology. Area of specialization is open.

Required qualifications: a Ph.D. in Sociology or Rural Sociology at the time of the appointment; a demonstrated excellence in and commitment to teaching and mentoring undergraduates; a commitment to teaching and mentoring graduate students; a demonstrated record of scholarly and professional activities; and a willingness to contribute to distance learning courses.

Responsibilities: Teaching undergraduate and graduate level research methods courses; maintaining an active scholarly agenda; and participating in university and departmental service.

The Department of Sociology offers an undergraduate major; minors in Sociology, Criminology, and interdisciplinary Sexuality Studies; a graduate MA in Sociology and an online MA in Criminology. The department consists of 16 full-time faculty members. Currently the department has 376 undergraduate majors, 479 minors and 42 graduate students.

Western Kentucky University is the fastest growing university in the Commonwealth, drawing 21,000 students at the undergraduate, master and doctoral levels. The university has a strong commitment to international teaching and research as well as promoting service learning opportunities. It is located in Bowling Green (pop. 58,067), a city with a diverse population that serves as a retail and health care center for the region. Bowling Green is approximately 110 miles south of Louisville and 65 miles north of Nashville.

Candidates must send a letter of application describing their interests and qualifications for the position, current curriculum vita, copies of university graduate transcripts, three letters of recommendation, evidence of teaching effectiveness, and a statement of teaching philosophy to:

Sociology Search
Department of Sociology
Western Kentucky University
1906 College Heights Blvd. #11057
Bowling Green, KY 42101-1057
Phone: (270) 745-2150 Fax: (270) 745-6493

Applicants may also submit materials electronically to the following e-mail address: sociology@wku.edu

Review of applications begins October 31, 2011, and will continue until the position is filled.

For more information, visit our website at http://www.wku.edu/sociology/index.php
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