



**Western Kentucky University
Department of Biology**

Assistant Professor

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The Department of Biology (<http://www.wku.edu/biology/>) invites applications for a tenure track ASSISTANT PROFESSOR position starting August, 2015. The successful candidate will be expected to establish a rigorous, extramurally funded research program involving undergraduate and M.S. students. Teaching responsibilities will include a combination of general microbiology for majors and non-majors, a microbiology course supporting a food science certificate program, and other upper level/graduate courses in the candidate's area of expertise. The successful candidate will use teaching technologies such as Blackboard and e-texts, and will participate in departmental and university service. Candidates representing any area of microbial research will be considered although those emphasizing prokaryotic pathogens and/or prokaryotic genetics and with expertise in modern molecular biology techniques and bioinformatics are especially encouraged.

The successful candidate will have a Ph.D. or equivalent, post-doctoral research experience or equivalent, and a record of peer-reviewed publication commensurate with experience.

Review of applications will begin February 23, 2015. Applicants should submit a letter of interest, a current CV, separate statements of research and teaching interests, and the names and contact information for three references as a single .pdf file (≤5MB) to: microbiologist.search@wku.edu

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