Departmental Events

Faculty Meeting: September 12, 2014 (Friday) at 3:00-4:30 pm, Seaton 164H.

GTU/Geography Club Bowling: GTU and the Geography Club will be meeting for bowling at the K-State Union Rec Center Monday 8 September from 6-8 pm. Games are $1.25 with a Student ID. All are welcomed.

Departmental Activity

Publications


Presentation


Job Opportunities

University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, Illinois: The Department of Geography and Geographic Information Science (GGIS), in the School of Earth, Society, & Environment, invites applications for a full-time tenure-track Assistant Professor in ecogeomorphology of river and watershed systems. Relevant areas of research include, but are not limited to: the structuring of river and watershed systems through interactions among plants, animals and geomorphological processes; the relevance of an integrated understanding of ecological and geomorphological dynamics to river/watershed management and restoration; and the resilience of coupled ecological and geomorphological processes within
river/watershed systems to climate change and human impacts. The Department seeks candidates with strong field, modeling, GIS, and/or remote sensing skills. The successful candidate will be expected to develop an externally funded research program and teach at undergraduate and graduate levels. A Ph.D. is required at the time of appointment. Applicants are expected to present evidence of excellence in research and teaching. The target starting date is August 16, 2015. To apply, create your candidate profile through http://jobs.illinois.edu and submit your application materials: Letter of application, CV, up to 3 representative publications, statement of teaching and research interests, and contact information for three professional references. Referees will be contacted electronically upon the submission of the application. Applicants are highly encouraged to submit applications early to ensure that referees have enough time to submit letters of recommendation. To ensure full consideration, all required application materials must be submitted by October 12, 2014, with interviews likely in November 2014. Letters of references should be received by October 17, 2014. Inquiries about the position are encouraged to the Ecogeomorphology Search Committee Chair at geograph@illinois.edu.

California State University – Northridge, CA: Department of Geography invites applications for a tenure track Assistant Professor faculty position. The department welcomes applications from individuals trained in Public Safety and Geographical Information Systems (GIS). Ph.D. in Geography is required at time of appointment. Priority will be given to candidates with course work and/or training in Criminology/Sociology or related fields. The candidate must have proven/demonstrated expertise and active research agenda in advanced applications of geospatial technologies and GIS related to public safety including crime mapping and analysis, urban fire ecology and mapping, urban and social justice and spatial statistical methods. Priority will be given to candidates with expertise in web-based mapping development and applications. Experience in advising and course development is an asset. The candidate will also be expected to supervise student research at the Master’s level and contribute to departmental and university service.

Teaching responsibilities will include both Geography and GIS courses at all levels and graduate courses in candidate’s area of expertise. In addition, candidates will be expected to teach lower division general education courses in environmental, human, and/or physical geography as well as upper division courses in GIS and public safety. In addition, this candidate will be expected to teach 1-2 courses per semester in crime mapping with the Department of Sociology. Normal teaching load is 12 units per semester, with opportunities for reduction in teaching load for funded research. Screening of applications will begin October 1, 2014. Priority will be given to applicants who meet the screening deadline. Inquiries and nominations should be addressed to: Chair, Search Committee, Department of Geography, California State University Northridge, Northridge, CA 91330-8249.

University of Alabama – Tuscaloosa, Alabama: The University of Alabama, Department of Geography invites applications for a new tenure-track faculty position in physical geography at the rank of Assistant Professor, start date August 16, 2015. This new position will support the continued expansion of our Department including a recent initiative to develop a Ph.D. program in Physical Geography. Successful candidates will demonstrate excellence in teaching and research, as well as potential for developing robust, externally-funded research programs that complement one or more of the department’s broader research foci including: climatology, coupled human-environment systems, environmental management and change, and human impacts on the environment. A Ph.D. in Geography or closely related discipline at time of appointment is required. Formal Review of applications will begin October 13, 2014, and will continue until the positions are filled. Apply online at http://facultyjobs.ua.edu. Applicants should be prepared to attach a cover letter, CV (including contact information for at least three references), and statements of research and teaching interests.

California State Polytechnic University – Pomona, California: The Department of Geography and Anthropology at California State Polytechnic University, Pomona invites applications for a tenure-track position at the assistant professor level specializing in physical geography, with a focus on geomorphology, hydrology, or environmental hazards, and strong geospatial technology skills. Regional
specialization in Latin America preferred. The position will be primarily devoted to teaching undergraduates in Geography. The successful candidate will demonstrate an interest in involving undergraduates in research or field activity, an ability to work in an interdisciplinary environment, an enthusiasm for a hands-on, learn-by-doing approach, professional and scholarly work potential, and a commitment to service. Ph.D. in Geography or closely related field, evidence of university teaching experience, ability to work with and mentor a diverse student population, and evidence of scholarly potential. For position information and the application information please visit: http://www.class.csupomona.edu/fs/jobs/geo.html. Inquiries may be addressed to reburton@csupomona.edu (909) 869-3569 or Dept. of Geography & Anthropology, 3801 W. Temple Ave., Pomona, CA 91768, fax: (909) 869-3586. To be included in the first review, completed applications must be received by Oct. 1, 2014; the position is open until filled.

**University of Michigan – Dearborn:** The Department of Natural Sciences invites applications for a tenure-track position with teaching assignments in GIS and Remote Sensing, and with opportunities to develop new courses in areas of expertise. A Ph.D. in geology or closely related field and teaching experience in geospatial science are required. Preference will be given to candidates who have post-doctoral experience, can contribute to the Geospatial Analysis and Mapping (GAM) Certificate Program and Earth and Environmental Discipline, and have experience with web and mobile GIS, geodatabase design, or GIS programming and customization. Tenure-track faculty members are expected to maintain active research programs that engage undergraduate and M.S. students and lead to peer-reviewed publications and external funding. Research space and start-up funding are provided. Submit a cover letter, curriculum vitae, a statement of teaching philosophy, a description of research plans, and the names of three references as a single PDF attachment file to: natscifacultysearch@umd.umich.edu. Please include Geology Faculty Search in your subject line. Review of applications will begin October 1, 2014.

**California State University – Chico, CA:** The Department of Geography and Planning is searching for a tenure track Assistant Professor in Geographic Information Science to start August 2015. Position is contingent on funding. The minimum education requirement for appointment to this position is a Ph.D. in Geography or closely related field from an accredited college or university at time of appointment. Post-doctoral or equivalent professional experience is desirable. Necessary teaching and research specialties include but are not limited to cartographic design, web cartography, geovisualization, spatial and temporal analysis and modeling (big data analytics), and Web-based GIS and mobile computing/location-based services. Technical expertise in GIS, geospatial database development, statistics, and/or GIS programming (Python, Java, HTML5, Adobe Flash, etc.) is required. This tenure-track position carries responsibilities in the areas of teaching cartography and GIS courses at all levels and statistical methods in geography, as well as the candidate will be expected to teach a general education course in environmental issues or introduction to physical geography. Normal teaching load is 12 units per semester, with opportunities for reduction in teaching load for funded research. There will be a reduced teaching load of 9 units per semester for the first two years of appointment. The department seeks a geographer who will involve students in research projects and data analysis, and generally prepare students for careers in geospatial technology profession, engage in scholarship in the form of external funding and service through student advising, department governance, and public engagement. Review of applications will begin on October 1, 2014 and continue until the position is filled. Applications received after October 1, 2014 may be reviewed. All applicants must complete the Application for Academic Employment Form, which is available on-line at http://www.csuchico.edu/faaf/facultyrecruit/facultyapplication.docx to be submitted with a cover letter, curriculum vitae, a statement of teaching interest, evidence of teaching ability, research interests, and three letters of recommendation to be sent separately to: Dr. Nori Sato, Search Committee Chair, Department of Geography and Planning, 400 W. First Street, California State University, Chico, CA 95929-0425. nsato2@csuchico.edu.
**Student Opportunity**

**NSF Graduate Research Fellowship:** The National Science Foundation announces 2,000 Graduate Research Fellowships. Seniors and first and second year graduate students are eligible to apply for these fellowships. Application deadline is October 29 through November 4, 2014 (varies by field). For more details: come to an NSF Info Session in *Union 207* at 3:00 pm on September 11, 15, or 17, and visit with Jim Hohenbary (215) Fairchild/532-3422. For additional information visit: [www.nsf.gov/grfp](http://www.nsf.gov/grfp) and [www.nsfgrfp.org](http://www.nsfgrfp.org). For application visit at: [www.faslane.nsf.gov/grfp/](http://www.faslane.nsf.gov/grfp/)

**CONFERENCES**

**Conference on Geographic Education:** “Geography Underground: 2014,” is a joint conference by the Kansas and Missouri Geographic Alliances. The conference is 27 September, 2014 at Park University in Parkville, MO. The conference theme is "Enhancing History Education with Geographic Information Systems" and the keynote speaker is Dr. Matthew Gerike, K-State alumni, who will address "On the Trail Again: Roads to Santa Fe, Historical Geography, Memory, and Landscape." Registration is $20 in advance and $30 after Wednesday September 24. To sign up, go to: [http://www.eventbrite.com/e/geography-underground-2014-geography-education-conference-tickets-12510564435](http://www.eventbrite.com/e/geography-underground-2014-geography-education-conference-tickets-12510564435). If you have any questions, please email Kayla Flamm (kmf7td@mail.missouri.edu) or Thomas Larsen (tblarsen@ksu.edu).

**Mappers Conference:** The Kansas Association of Mappers’ 2014 conference will be held on October 7-10 in Manhattan. October 9 (Thursday) is open to students for free if they are members of Kansas Association of Mappers (KAM). The student membership fee is only $20 and the regular membership fee is $30. There is more information at the KAM website, [www.kansasmappers.org](http://www.kansasmappers.org) where people can join KAM and register for the conference online.

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