

Assistant Professor in Environmental Policy, Tenure-Track

Department of Social Sciences Michigan Technological University

The Department of Social Sciences at Michigan Technological University invites applications for an Assistant Professor in Environmental Policy to join an interdisciplinary social sciences faculty.

Possible research interests include climate policy, energy policy, environmental policy, environmental health policy, or natural resource policy. Candidates with strengths in international policy and spatial approaches, including GIS, are especially encouraged to apply.

The teaching load is normally two courses per academic semester. Successful candidates should be prepared to teach a graduate-level environmental policy analysis course (e.g., cost-benefit analysis, environmental risk assessment), a large general education undergraduate course (e.g., Global Issues), and courses in their own specialty. Applicants should also demonstrate how their research and teaching interests strengthen our graduate programs (MS and PhD) in Environmental & Energy Policy and **aligns with the focus of one or more of Michigan Tech's research centers or institutes**. Possible contributions to the graduate programs in Industrial Heritage and Archaeology would also be welcomed.

A Ph.D. in Public Affairs, Public Management, Public Policy, or a related interdisciplinary field is required by August 15, 2018. The successful candidate will demonstrate a strong research record and agenda, as well as high potential for securing external funding. Teaching experience is strongly preferred. Professional experience in the public sector is considered an asset.

Michigan Tech is a research university (RU/H) with approximately 7,230 undergraduate and graduate students. Located minutes from Lake Superior in Michigan's Upper Peninsula, the Houghton/Hancock community offers year-round recreational and cultural opportunities.

Michigan Tech is an Equal Opportunity Educational Institution/Equal Opportunity Employer, which includes providing equal opportunity for protected veterans and individuals with disabilities. Applications from women and minorities are highly encouraged by both the department and the institution. Michigan Tech is an ADVANCE institution, one of a limited number of universities in receipt of NSF funds in support of our commitment to increase diversity and the participation and advancement of women in STEM. Michigan Tech acknowledges the importance of supporting dual career partners in attracting and retaining a quality workforce. See www.dual.mtu.edu for additional information.

Applications will be reviewed starting November. Full consideration will be given to applications received by that date. Interested candidates should complete the online application and upload required materials including: (1) a letter of interest that describes

how the candidate meets the research and teaching requirements of the position, (2) a curriculum vitae, (3) a 2-page research statement, and (4) the names and contact information for three references. Letters of reference, a teaching statement, and sample publications will be requested for candidates making the shortlist.

You can find out more about this position, including where to submit your online application, at: <https://www.jobs.mtu.edu/postings/5791>

Please direct inquiries to Dr. Adam Wellstead at awellste@mtu.edu or 906 487-2115.

More about the department and university

The [Department of Social Sciences](#) consists of faculty who represent diverse disciplinary backgrounds within the social sciences. The department offers undergraduate degree programs in anthropology, history, law and society, and general social sciences. A sustainability sciences and society major is in development. Graduate programs in the department include M.S. and Ph.D. programs in Environmental and Energy Policy and in Industrial Heritage and Archaeology. We contribute to campus-wide general education. We value collaboration with research partners across the department and the university.

Michigan Tech is a mid-sized public research university with 130 degree programs in arts, humanities, and social sciences; business and economics; computing; engineering; forestry and environmental science; natural and physical sciences; and technology. Michigan Tech is ranked in the top tier of national universities according to U.S. News & World Report's "America's Best Colleges 2015." The student-faculty ratio is 13:1 and 49% of classes have fewer than 20 students. The university values cross-disciplinary faculty and student contributions to global sustainability. Michigan Tech is committed to offering career exploration advice and assistance whenever feasible and appropriate at the University and in the local community. See www.dual.mtu.edu for more information.

Houghton/Hancock

Michigan Tech is located in Houghton, MI in the heart of Michigan's Upper Peninsula. Houghton was rated as the 15th Greatest Place to Live in America by Outside Magazine in 2014. It is also rated as a top summer travel destination, one of the Top 10 outdoor adventure spots in the country for our bike trails, and is well known for its Olympic-caliber cross country ski trails, Lake Superior shoreline, and numerous inland lakes and rivers. Situated on the hills bordering the beautiful Portage Waterway and only minutes from several Lake Superior beaches, the area offers a bounty of cultural and recreational opportunities. The historic downtown waterfront provides unique shopping, dining, and cultural opportunities in addition to serving as the mainland headquarters for Isle Royale National Park. Local schools are known for their high quality and commitment to being one of the top five districts for student performance in the state of Michigan. The Houghton County Memorial Airport offers jet service to and from Chicago twice daily on United Airlines. This environment, combined with a competitive compensation package, results in an excellent quality of life.