

## **Assistant Professor in Anthropology or Geography, Tenure-Track Department of Social Sciences Michigan Technological University**

The Department of Social Sciences at Michigan Technological University invites applications for an Assistant Professor to join our interdisciplinary social sciences faculty. We seek a scholar specializing in heritage, environment, and industrial communities to strengthen our graduate programs (M.S. and Ph.D.) in Industrial Heritage & Archaeology and/or Environmental & Energy Policy. A Ph.D. in Anthropology or Geography, or a related interdisciplinary field, is required by August 15, 2019.

Candidates with research foci that emphasize environmental health and/or pollution, social justice, urban and/or at-risk communities, labor relations, brownfield revitalization, or deindustrialization are particularly encouraged to apply. We seek a colleague committed to community-led or engaged collaborative research and teaching and/or GIS or related spatial sciences. The successful candidate will have a strong research program and high potential for securing external funding.

Applicants must demonstrate how their research and teaching interests strengthen one or both of our graduate programs, and articulate with one or more of our undergraduate programs in Anthropology, History, Law and Society, Social Sciences, and our new major, Sustainability Science and Society. Teaching experience is strongly preferred: the teaching load is two courses per semester, with one course per year being our core interdisciplinary course Global Issues. Michigan Tech is a research university (RU/H) with approximately 7,300 undergraduate and graduate students.

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](http://www.dual.mtu.edu) for additional information.

Review of applications will commence on November 29, 2018. 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, (2) Curriculum Vitae, (3) research statement, (4) teaching statement, (5) writing sample, and (6) names and contact information for three references. You can find out more about this position, including where to submit your materials

electronically at:

<http://www.jobs.mtu.edu/postings/6844>

Please direct inquiries to Dr. Melissa Baird at [mfbaird@mtu.edu](mailto:mfbaird@mtu.edu) or 906-487-2366.

#### More about the Department and University

The Department of Social Sciences consists of faculty who represent diverse disciplinary backgrounds. The Department offers undergraduate degree programs in Anthropology, History, Law and Society, and Social Sciences and a new undergraduate degree in Sustainability Science and Society. We also offer M.S. and Ph.D. programs in Industrial Heritage and Archaeology and in Environmental and Energy Policy. The department faculty support the University's campus-wide general education and collaborate with research partners across the university.

Michigan Tech is a mid-sized public research university with 130 degree programs in engineering; arts, humanities, and social sciences; business and economics; computing; 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](http://www.dual.mtu.edu) for more information.

#### Houghton/Hancock

Michigan Tech is located in Houghton, Michigan 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 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, numerous national and state parks and forests, 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.

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