

## Academic Position

The Department of Geography at Western University invites applications for a **probationary (tenure-track) appointment** in the area of **Geographic Information Science (GIScience) and Urban Environments** at the rank of Assistant or Associate Professor, effective July 1, 2020 or as negotiated. If qualifications and experience warrant a higher rank, consideration may be given to an appointment at the tenured level. Salary and rank will be commensurate with experience.

The Department of Geography seeks applicants who specialize in geospatial big data, geocomputation, geovisualization and/or remote sensing with a focus on urban environments. We especially encourage applications from candidates working in urban development, transportation, health, smart and sustainable cities, or urban physical or ecological processes that build on existing departmental strengths. We expect the successful candidate to take an active role in bringing innovation and creativity to the development of our GIScience scholarship. The ideal candidate will also contribute to our Departmental research areas in physical and/or human geography and to Faculty related initiatives such as the [Network for Economic and Social Trends](#), [Centre for Environment and Sustainability](#), the [Centre for Urban Policy and Local Governance](#), and the [Department of Indigenous Studies](#), among others.

Applicants for a probationary (tenure-track) appointments must have completed a PhD degree in Geography or a related discipline; demonstrate excellence or potential for excellence in research through a record of internationally recognized publications in leading journals and strong endorsements from referees; the ability, or potential to develop, the capacity to conduct innovative externally funded research; provide evidence of a strong record of teaching at the university level; and have excellent oral and written communication skills. Applicants for a tenured appointment must further provide evidence of academic leadership through the development of teaching and research initiatives related to Geographic Information Science.

With annual research funding exceeding \$220 million, and an international reputation for success, Western ranks as one of Canada's top research-intensive universities. Our research excellence expands knowledge and drives discovery with real-world application. Western also provides an exceptional employment experience, offering competitive salaries, a wide range of employment opportunities and one of Canada's most beautiful campuses. The Faculty of Social Science at Western is experiencing a period of significant faculty renewal having made over 40 hires over the last few years, with approximately 10 more hires anticipated. The 2019 QS rankings place Social Science at Western at 84<sup>th</sup> in the world and 4<sup>th</sup> in Canada. [Western Geography](#) is a research-intensive department that defines four fields of research: Geographic Information Science; Urban Studies; Environment, Resources and Development; and Physical Geography. These support doctoral- and masters-level graduate programs with an enrolment of approximately 75 graduate students. At the undergraduate level, we offer both BSc and BA degrees and a range of modules related to our research areas. The Department has identified urban environments as an overarching research theme and is a designated ESRI Canada Centre of Excellence.

Application must include the following: (1) [Application for Full-Time Faculty Position form](#); (2) Letter of Interest/Statement of Academic Qualifications; (3) Curriculum Vitae; (4) Teaching Statement summarizing teaching experience, evidence of teaching effectiveness, and areas of teaching expertise; and (5) names, institutional affiliations and contact information (including email addresses) for three academic referees. Applications should be emailed to:

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Electronic submissions are preferred.

The deadline for receipt of applications is October 15, 2019, or until position is filled.

Positions are subject to budget approval. Applicants should have fluent written and oral communication skills in English. The University invites applications from all qualified individuals. Western is committed to employment equity and diversity in the workplace and welcomes applications from women, members of racialized groups/visible minorities, Aboriginal persons, persons with disabilities, persons of any sexual orientation, and persons of any gender identity or gender expression.

In accordance with Canadian Immigration requirements, priority will be given to Canadian citizens and permanent residents.

Accommodations are available for applicants with disabilities throughout the recruitment process. If you require accommodations for interviews or other meetings, please contact Lelanya Milley, 519-661-2111 ext. 84004, or email [lelanya.milley@uwo.ca](mailto:lelanya.milley@uwo.ca).