Lecturer (Environmental Studies Programme)

The National University of Singapore (NUS) invites applications for a full-time Educator Track position of Lecturer for the Environmental Studies Programme, co-hosted by the Faculty of Science (FoS) and the Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences (FASS), to begin in August 2016.

The Bachelor of Environmental Studies (BES) Programme is a 4-year direct-to-Honours programme launched in Academic Year 2011/2012, which is governed by nine NUS faculties and schools. It is a multi-disciplinary programme, and besides FoS and FASS has active participation from the Faculty of Engineering, Faculty of Law, School of Design and Environment, NUS Business School, Yong Loo Lin School of Medicine, Saw Swee Hock School of Public Health and the Lee Kuan Yew School of Public Policy. NUS offers an enabling environment for scholarship and is ranked top in Asia.

The BES programme seeks a Faculty member to design and teach dedicated multidisciplinary Environmental Studies modules that may include Introduction to Environmental Studies, Global Environmental Change, Wildlife Protection, and Environmental Challenges (see http://www.envstudies.nus.edu.sg/academic/programme-requirements/specially-designed-environmental-studies-modules). The modules are offered in small class formats (less than 50 students). In addition to lecturing, these modules include case study work and extensive field excursions within Singapore and overseas. The Lecturer will also supervisehonours students and make significant contributions to curriculum development in collaboration with the programme Directors.

The ideal candidate must possess a PhD and have expertise in an environment-related area (e.g. human or physical dimensions of environmental change, environmental conservation, management, law, policy, modeling human-environment interactions, etc.). Broad-based multi-disciplinary skills in these domains will be seen as important attributes. Knowledge of current environmental issues and/or fieldwork experience in the Southeast Asian context will be a significant advantage. The candidate should also have prior experience with, and demonstrated excellence in, teaching at the undergraduate level. There is a substantial team teaching component, so motivation and aptitude for collaborative pedagogy is essential. The Lecturer will be anchored in the Department of Geography (http://www.fas.nus.edu.sg/geog/), but will report to the BES Director.

Interested candidates should submit an application which includes (1) a letter of interest, (2) a brief curriculum vitae (10 page max), (3) a concise document describing teaching philosophy and teaching history, as well as research interests and accomplishments; (4) three significant publications, whether in education or a disciplinary area, explaining their significance; and (5) contact details of 4 references including the PhD supervisor. If available, please also include peer reviews and student feedback for all courses taught in the last three years.

Deadline for application is 29 Feb 2016 when screening of applicants will begin. This position will remain open until a suitable candidate is found. Only shortlisted candidates will be notified. The successful candidate will be offered a renewable 3-year contract and a competitive remuneration package, based on qualifications and experience, including medical and subsidised housing benefits (where applicable).

Applications addressed to Chair of the Environmental Studies Search Committee should be sent via email to Ms Cheryl Sim at scismfc@nus.edu.sg.

For more information about the Environmental Studies Programme, please visit our website at: www.envstudies.nus.edu.sg or contact Edward Webb, Director, BES Programme (email: dbswel@nus.edu.sg). For questions related to the Department of Geography please contact Matthias Roth (email: geomr@nus.edu.sg).