

**ASSISTANT PROFESSOR
NATURAL RESOURCES MANAGEMENT – GIS
NATURAL RESOURCES MANAGEMENT PROGRAM
WESTERN CAROLINA UNIVERSITY
CULLOWHEE, NORTH CAROLINA**

Western Carolina University is seeking a 9-month, tenure-track, Assistant Professor in Natural Resources Management with expertise in GIS, beginning August 2006. The successful candidate is expected to be active in undergraduate teaching and experienced in applying GIS technology to natural resources management. We are particularly interested in candidates with a demonstrated interest and ability in developing innovative education and research programs in the southern Appalachian region, and who can compliment existing departmental strengths.

The successful candidate must be committed to undergraduate education as well as developing an active research program and engaging in professional service. Specifically, the incumbent will develop and deliver undergraduate courses in introductory and advanced landscape ecology and GIS, the University's liberal studies program, and other areas depending on the candidate's background. These areas may include soil and water conservation, landscape analysis, or fish and wildlife management. Preference will be given to candidates who have experience in teaching GIS and who desire to include students in their scholarly activities. Additionally, the incumbent will be involved in student advising and will be expected to participate in University governance and regional service. The successful candidate will assist in monitoring the operation of the department's GIS and remote sensing teaching lab.

A Ph.D. from an accredited institution is required by date of appointment. Applicants are required to demonstrate proficiency in the use of current GIS software (including ARCVIEW and ARCGIS) and are required to have knowledge of advanced concepts and techniques in landscape ecology and GIS analysis focusing on natural resource management.

Western Carolina University is located in the heart of the southern Appalachian Mountains; the most biologically diverse temperate ecoregion in the eastern United States. This area is home to the Great Smoky Mountains National Park, as well as the Nantahala and Pisgah National Forests making it an exceptional laboratory for natural resources education and research.

To apply, submit a letter of application, statement of teaching and research interests and experience, CV, and contact information for 3 references to Dr. Larry Kolenbrander, Department of Geosciences and Natural Resources Management, Western Carolina University, Cullowhee, NC 28723. Review of applications will begin **February 1st, 2006** and will continue until the position is filled. The University is an equal opportunity employer and encourages applications from women and minorities.

Thank you.

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