

Assistant Professor – Life-Span Human Development – F1055

The Department of Psychology at James Madison University is seeking a tenure-track Assistant Professor to begin August 2018 who can skillfully teach 300-student sections of Life-Span Human Development. Ideal candidates will have broad expertise and the skills necessary to produce engaging large-enrollment courses. The Lifespan Development course fulfills the sociocultural domain of our General Education Program, Cluster 5 (<http://jmu.edu/gened/>). As such, it promotes reflection on personal responsibilities to diverse communities within which people function throughout life. The faculty member in this position will be expected to develop an active program of scholarship. Occasional course instruction and supervision of graduate students enrolled in JMU's M.A. in Psychological Sciences Program may also be possible.

The Department of Psychology is committed to educating our students in and contributing to the science of Psychology. To that end, we welcome applicants who can contribute to students' understanding of the diversity of development, and who can create an inclusive learning environment through their teaching, research, and service. Psychology faculty are expected to be productive in scholarship, serve as academic advisors to psychology majors, and contribute to service activities of the department and university. We also value other strengths that candidates might bring. Our faculty work to provide engaging learning experiences for students, including research opportunities, study abroad experiences, service learning, and other opportunities. Many of our faculty contribute to the discipline of psychology through service and leadership in professional organizations. We welcome colleagues who will contribute to our mission to engage students in learning and to contribute to the science of psychology in these and other ways.

The minimum qualifications for this position include: Doctoral degree in psychology; prior college teaching experience; strong interest in undergraduate instruction and knowledge of best practices in psychology pedagogy; and documented history of scholarship. Experience with addressing diversity issues in teaching and advising, research, and/or service is preferred.

The Department of Psychology has a commitment to diversity. Individuals who are prepared to help our students learn about the role of culture in the development and expression of individual and social behavior are strongly encouraged to apply.

Psychology significantly contributes to the campus-wide General Education program, serving over 5,000 students each year. Psychology is among the most popular majors on campus, serving approximately 1,000 students. JMU emphasizes instructional innovation at both the classroom and program levels, data-driven approaches to instructional improvement, and engaged learning experiences for undergraduates. The Department of Psychology faculty are strong contributors to these efforts. Additional information about psychology at JMU is available at <http://psyc.jmu.edu>.

To apply go to JobLink.jmu.edu and reference posting number F1055 and complete a faculty profile and attach the following: (1) Letter of interest, (2) curriculum vitae, (3) statement of teaching philosophy, and (4) description of research program and plans (Other Document #1). In the statement of teaching philosophy, applicants should describe the strategies they will use in teaching 300-student sections. They should also include information about how they will promote an understanding of the diverse contexts of human development in their teaching and/or research statements. Applicants who have not yet had the opportunity for such experience, should describe how they expect to further the Department's commitment to diversity. The names and contact information for three references will be requested as part of the application. Each reference listed will receive an email requesting that they

submit a reference through the JobLink system. Review of applications will begin November 10, 2017 and will continue until suitable candidates are found.

Questions about the position should be directed to the Search Chair, Dr. Claire Lyons (lyonscw@jmu.edu; 540/568-7660). Questions regarding application procedures should be directed to Cathy Fisher (fishercj@jmu.edu; 540/568-2555).

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