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**Post-Doctoral Faculty Position
Department of Applied Forensic Sciences**

The Department of Applied Forensic Sciences at Mercyhurst University seeks applications for a post-doctoral faculty position starting Fall 2021. Candidates must have obtained a Ph.D. in Physical Anthropology or a closely related field with a strong STEM component within the last three years or be expected to complete that degree no later than May 2022.

Experience in forensic casework, including both field recoveries and laboratory processing of fleshed human remains, as well as familiarity with work at ASCLD LAB certified environments will be especially valued. The candidate is expected to take part in all aspects of the department's frequent forensic casework, as well as mentor and supervise graduate students in their work and research activities at our forensic laboratories. Special consideration will also be given to knowledge in geometric morphometry or spatial analysis techniques, as well as to previous research in age estimation, sexual dimorphism, allometry, biomechanics, trauma analysis or forensic taphonomy.

The candidate is expected to teach a minimum of two classes per term, in osteology, human skeletal biology (in relation to biological profile), bone trauma analysis, or introductory physical anthropology subjects. The candidate will also be given the opportunity to design and develop upper-level classes related to their research subjects. Thus, preference will be given to candidates with previous teaching experience and a strong commitment and interest in education.

Mercyhurst University is a fully accredited, four-year, liberal arts institution in Erie, Pennsylvania founded in 1926 by the Sisters of Mercy. Today, the university is home to more than 3,000 undergraduate and graduate students and more than 160 faculty. The university offers more than 50 undergraduate majors and eight graduate degree programs.

Mercyhurst University is an Equal Employment Opportunity Employer that encourages members of diverse groups to apply.

APPLICATION PROCESS

The initial review of complete applications will begin on July 10, 2021 and will continue until the position is filled. To apply please send a single PDF containing a cover letter, CV, statement of teaching philosophy, and research statement, and arrange for three letters of reference to:

Dr. Dennis C. Dirkmaat

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Candidates must be currently eligible to work in the United States.