Postdoctoral Scholar in Applied Forensic Sciences, Mercyhurst University (Erie, PA)
Department of Applied Forensic Sciences

Open Date: April 1, 2019   **Close Date:** July 1, 2019

Description:

The Applied Forensic Sciences Department at Mercyhurst University in Erie, PA invites applications for a full-time Postdoctoral Scholar position for the 2019-2020 academic year (beginning in August of 2019). The candidate should have a strong background in biological anthropology, although applications from a variety of subdisciplines (e.g., forensic anthropology, bioarchaeology, paleoanthropology, anatomy, etc.) will be considered. The candidate would be expected to teach undergraduate and graduate courses in biological anthropology/forensic anthropology, advise student research, and continue to pursue their own research interests. The candidate will also be expected to work with departmental faculty and students on forensic anthropology cases (both in the field and in the laboratory). Mercyhurst prides itself on its faculty engagement with students, thus preference will be given to candidates with evidence of a strong teaching background and positive student interactions. Candidates must have a Ph.D. at the time of appointment.

The Department of Applied Forensic Sciences at Mercyhurst University is unique, conducting active forensic casework and archaeological recoveries in Pennsylvania, Ohio, and New York. Due to this, in addition to teaching experience (as an instructor or teaching assistant), preferred applicants will have experience with forensic casework, including: creation of a biological profile, expertise in human skeletal biology, photography, knowledge related to forensic archaeological recoveries, and producing professional level case reports.

Review of applications will begin immediately and will continue until the position is filled. For full consideration, applications should be received by 03/01/2019. For more information on the Department and Mercyhurst please visit: https://www.mercyhurst.edu/academics/applied-forensic-sciences

Requirements:

1. A minimum of a doctorate in Anthropology with a Forensic or Biological concentration, or a related field.
2. Teaching experience, either as an instructor or as a teaching assistant
3. Expertise in human fragmentary osteology and creating a biological profile
4. Experience in all processes related to analyzing and creating a professional level forensic anthropology report for forensic cases

Instructions for Applicants:

Applicants should submit the following materials to Dr. Dennis Dirkmaat, Search Committee Chair (contact information is listed below). Please send as a single PDF file with the applicant's last name in the file name.

Additional application materials (e.g., teaching philosophy, research statements, etc.) may be requested following review of application.
1. Cover letter
2. Current curriculum vitae
3. Names and contact information of three references

For questions or additional information, please contact Dr. Dennis Dirkmaat at ddirkmaat@mercyhurst.edu.

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Candidate must be eligible to work in the United States.