The Latornell Professorship in Environmental Stewardship

The planning profession faces challenges in dealing with solutions to complex problems that defy traditional approaches. Many of these problems require changes in societal attitudes and values that are manifest in the realm of environmental stewardship. Planning approaches to these complex problems requires a new set of skills and knowledge, including: an understanding of the biophysical environment, understanding of collaborative action, and the ability to communicate and motivate environmental management for a wide range of stakeholders. To meet these challenges, the School of Environmental Design and Rural Development (SEDRD) invites applications for the Latornell Professorship in Environmental Stewardship. The School is involved in Canadian and international planning and development with a focus on rural, remote, and Aboriginal communities and territories. We invite applicants who have an accredited planning degree (Bachelor or Master) and a doctoral degree in Environmental Planning, Natural Resources or a related discipline. Candidates should possess accreditation (preferred) or be a Candidate with a Professional Planning Institute or Association that is recognized by the Canadian Planning Standards Board.

The successful candidate will have or will develop an innovative research program in the planning and management of complex natural resources and/or environmental planning problems. Experience in outreach with stakeholders in natural resources and environmental areas of interest with government agencies and civil society organizations are desirable. In addition, the successful applicant will demonstrate a capacity for developing collaborative relationships, as the candidate will need to develop strong linkages with the lead environmental management agencies, such as: the Ministry of the Environment and Climate Change; the Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs; the Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry; as well as the Conservation Authorities and rural municipalities. Experience in advising graduate student research would be preferred, as the candidate will be engaged in graduate advising at both the master and doctoral levels.

The preferred candidate will have teaching experience and will be expected to teach at the graduate level and develop and deliver educational materials for professionals. Candidates will be expected to teach in at least two of the following areas: natural resources planning and management; environmental stewardship; community based environmental planning; policy planning and institutional analysis (regulatory and non-regulatory); land and water stewardship and management; and planning methods. The successful candidates will be expected to engage with the Latornell Endowment Committee at the University of Guelph and continue the legacy of Arthur D. Latornell. To learn more about Art see the following URL: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=QpoTR0P42ys

The University of Guelph

The University of Guelph (www.uoguelph.ca) is a top-ranked comprehensive university in Canada with an enrolment of approximately 23,000 students. It is located in Guelph, Ontario and is 100km west of Toronto, Ontario. The City of Guelph, situated in the heart of southern Ontario, is a vibrant community of over 121,000 and is rated as one of Canada's most livable cities.

The School of Environmental Design and Rural Development (SEDRD)

As part of the Ontario Agricultural College (http://www.uoguelph.ca/oac), SEDRD was founded on a commitment to the integration of design, ecology and culture in the design and management of human and natural environments. As professional undergraduate- and graduate-level faculty, we strive for an interdisciplinary teaching and learning environment that emphasizes a cooperative, collegial approach to research, teaching and outreach. SEDRD offers the following programs: Bachelor of Landscape Architecture; Master of Landscape Architecture; MSc and MPLAN in Rural Planning & Development; MSc in Capacity Development & Extension; and PhD in Rural Studies. Please visit our website www.uoguelph.ca/sedrd/

Applications should include a curriculum vitae and a statement of achievements; current and future interests in teaching, research, outreach and service.

Review of applications will begin on October 31, 2016 and will continue until a suitable candidate is found. Please send applications to:

The Director
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Short-listed candidates will be required to provide three references and participate in a public/open interview process.

All qualified candidates are encouraged to apply; however, Canadian and permanent residents will be given priority.

The University of Guelph is committed to equity in its policies, practices, and programs, supports diversity in its teaching, learning and work environments, and ensures that applications for members of underrepresented groups are seriously considered under its employment equity policy. All qualified individuals who would contribute to the further diversification of our University community are encouraged to apply.