INTRODUCTION

The University of Puerto Rico Mayagüez Campus (UPRM) is seeking applications for a tenure-track position of Assistant Professor of Biology. Candidates specializing in any branch or field of study within the biological sciences will be considered. The UPRM Department of Biology offers Bachelor of Science degrees in Biology, Industrial Microbiology, and Pre-Medical Studies, as well as a Master of Science in Biology. The department consists of approximately 45 faculty and teaching/research staff, plus administrative staff, and approximately 1,100 undergraduate and 50 graduate students. Our institutional mission includes education, research, and service. To learn more about the Department of Biology, please visit https://www.uprm.edu/biology.

MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS

Doctoral degree in Biology or a related field from an accredited institution by date of hire. Demonstrated excellence in teaching and research. Demonstrated effective oral and written communication skills in Spanish or English. Bilingual candidates are preferred.

JOB DESCRIPTION AND TASKS

The selected person will teach undergraduate and graduate courses according to departmental needs. Courses could include introductory courses for majors or service courses for students from other programs, as well as intermediate and advanced specialty courses. The hired candidate may be asked to update and revise existing courses, develop new courses and teaching labs in their area of expertise, as well as teach previously created courses that are not currently offered. The minimum load is 12 credit hours per semester.

In addition to teaching undergraduate and graduate courses, the successful candidate will coordinate teaching laboratories, supervise undergraduate and graduate research, participate in faculty and departmental meetings, and actively engage in departmental and campus-wide initiatives. New faculty are expected to develop and maintain a successful, externally funded research program in their area of expertise. External funds, when obtained, will allow eligibility for release time during the academic year. Faculty are expected to present research work at conferences, publish in peer-reviewed journals, mentor undergraduate and graduate researchers, engage in professional and community service, and support institutional initiatives.

HOW TO APPLY

To apply, candidates must send a cover letter, their curriculum vitae, graduate and undergraduate transcripts, contact information for three persons who may be asked to provide references, and separate statements of research and teaching plans that address how their career plans fit within the context of the Caribbean, Puerto Rico, and the University of Puerto Rico. To receive full consideration, these must be submitted by April 30, 2024 to director.biol@uprm.edu. The hiring of non-U. S. citizen or permanent resident applicants is conditional on both the position and the candidate meeting all eligibility criteria for obtaining an appropriate visa (such as H-1B). For further information, please contact:
Among the benefits offered by the University of Puerto Rico are: medical plan, savings and investment plan of the University of Puerto Rico, sick leave, maternity and paternity leave.

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