Call for instructor: We are looking to attract a creative instructor for Fall 2019 for SUST201: Exploring Sustainability.

The embedded certificate in Sustainability Studies is a new approach to experiential learning and applied research at the University of Calgary. The new Sustainability Studies curriculum is embedded within and integrated into a student’s degree program, in a context of a broader interdisciplinary understanding of sustainability and resilience. The program consists of four required core courses, beginning with foundational sustainability principles, practices, challenges and opportunities in both an historical and contemporary context. Throughout the certificate student then apply foundational principles to complex social, ecological and sustainable design problems through applied research and experiential learning.

Course Description: Over the past several decades governments, corporations, not for profit and community organizations and citizens have been struggling to understand the implications of rapid industrialization, population growth, resource depletion, and information technology on our health, happiness and quality of life. The concept of sustainability has played a key role in the debates. Sustainability offers a new way of understanding the world and our place in it. It has become a key concept in design at all scales of human intervention in the world. Sustainability, both in theory and practice is complex and challenging. This course will present a wide range of perspectives on the vitally important concept. This is the first core course of the Embedded Certificate in Sustainability Studies. For more information see: https://www.ucalgary.ca/pubs/calendar/current/sustainability-studies-sust.html

Role of the Instructor: Because of the experiential learning and applied research model with broad inter-disciplinary nature of the course subject this program delivers the courses using a collaborative teaching model. Course instructors work side-by-side to guide learning while embedding sustainability principles and practices throughout the delivery of course material. Class sizes are small, course content is interdisciplinary, and as an Instructor you will provide opportunities for students to engage directly with both sustainability problems and with faculty and expert practitioners who work on sustainability and resilience problems across the globe.
Application Process: The successful candidate will be expected to have successfully completed at least their PhD Candidacy Exams in a relevant discipline and must have a demonstrated background in the subject matter related to the course. The successful candidate must also have very good previous teaching performance or show the potential for very good to excellent teaching ability.

In accordance with Canadian immigration requirements, priority will be given to Canadian citizens and permanent residents of Canada. The University of Calgary is committed to Employment Equity. Sustainability Studies strongly encourages applications from women.

If you are interested in being an instructor for the SUST 201 in Fall 2019, please email Craig Gerlach, Academic Lead, Sustainability Studies, with a statement of interest, teaching philosophy and a CV.

Deadline: We will begin reviewing applications on Friday, August 28th, 2019.

Sincerely yours,

Dr. Craig Gerlach
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