Limited Term Faculty Position in the Department of Biochemistry

The Department of Biochemistry, within the Schulich School of Medicine & Dentistry at Western University, invites applications for a full-time three-year Limited Term faculty position at the rank of Assistant Professor in the area of Synthetic Biology to promote the development of inter-disciplinary research and education initiatives in Synthetic Biology.

The candidate will be expected to participate in teaching in undergraduate and graduate programs in the Department of Biochemistry. Educational programs at the undergraduate level include Honors Specialization Modules leading to the degrees of Honors BMSc or Honors BSc (as described at: http://www.schulich.uwo.ca/biochem/undergraduate/degrees_modules.html). Our graduate programs include a research-intensive doctoral program as well as thesis and non-thesis MSc level programs (http://www.schulich.uwo.ca/biochem/graduate/program_information/index.html).

Responsibilities of this position will include lecturing in 4th year Biochemistry undergraduate courses and in Graduate level courses in the area of Synthetic Biology as well as contributing to the supervision of research trainees at the undergraduate, graduate and post-graduate levels. Participation in research projects and on committees within the Department of Biochemistry or on behalf of the Department of Biochemistry will also be expected.

The successful candidate must hold a PhD (or equivalent) in Biochemistry/Molecular Biology/Genetics or related discipline and have at least 2 years of postdoctoral experience. A track record of publications in the field of Synthetic Biology as well as teaching experience and experience with external funding opportunities to support research in Synthetic Biology and with industry working in the area of Synthetic Biology will be assets. Furthermore, the candidate must have excellent interpersonal, organizational and communication skills, and be able to work effectively to promote collaborative inter-disciplinary initiatives. Compensation for this position will be commensurate with qualifications and experience.

Western is one of Canada’s leading research-intensive universities, and Schulich Medicine & Dentistry has a long history of excellence in basic biomedical, applied and clinical research. Western has a full range of academic and professional programs for over 37,000 undergraduate and graduate students. The university campus is in London, with a metropolitan census of approximately 530,000, located midway between Toronto and Detroit. London boasts an international airport, galleries, theatre, music and sporting events and is located close to several lakes and facilities for outdoor activities (www.goodmovelondon.ca). Western’s Recruitment and Retention Office is available to assist in the transition of successful applicants and their families to the university and city.

Please send a detailed Curriculum Vitae, a brief description of research interests and plans, teaching experience, the names of three referees, and please ensure that the form available at: http://www.uwo.ca/facultyrelations/faculty/Application-FullTime-Faculty-Position-Form.pdf is included with your application to:

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Review of applications will begin after January 20, 2017 and will continue to be accepted until the position is filled. A start date is to be negotiated.
Positions are subject to budget approval. Applicants should have fluent written and oral communication skills in English. The University invites applications from all qualified individuals. Western is committed to employment equity and diversity in the workplace and welcomes applications from women, members of racialized groups/visible minorities, Aboriginal persons, persons with disabilities, persons of any sexual orientation, and persons of any gender identity or gender expression.

In accordance with Canadian immigration requirements, priority will be given to Canadian citizens and permanent residents.

Accommodations are available for applicants with disabilities throughout the recruitment process. If you require accommodations for interviews or other meetings, please contact Debbie Cobban at debbie.cobban@schulich.uwo.ca phone 519-661-2111 ext. 86852.

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