



**Assistant Professor  
Geospatial Science of Environment & Society**

**Overview:**

The Department of Environment and Society (ENVS) at Utah State University (USU) invites applications for the tenure-track position of Assistant Professor with expertise in geospatial science of environment and society. This tenure-track, full-time (nine-month) position is based at the USU main campus in Logan. The relative emphasis for the position is 50% research, 40% teaching/advising, and 10% service. The position will start August 2023. Review of applications begins November 14, 2022. For further information contact Dr. Jordan W. Smith, Search Committee Chair, at [jordan.smith@usu.edu](mailto:jordan.smith@usu.edu).

**Responsibilities:**

- The successful candidate will direct a geospatial research program that builds on a strong background in geographic information science (GIS), human-environment interactions, data science, and the analysis of spatial data.
- Teaching includes up to three courses per academic year and will focus on intro or advanced GIS and geospatial analytics but may also include courses in other areas of the department's degree programs.
- Courses may be taught at both undergraduate and graduate levels and may be delivered face-to-face, via distance learning, or in a blended format.
- Service includes participation in faculty duties on campus as well as professional involvement off campus.

**Minimum Qualifications:**

- An earned doctorate at date-of-hire in geography or a related discipline, with a focus on geospatial science in a human-environment context.

**Preferred Qualifications:**

- A publication record consistent with career stage and demonstrated potential to build and maintain a productive research program, including the ability to secure competitive external funding.
- A demonstrated ability to effectively collaborate in an interdisciplinary academic setting.
- Prior teaching experience, with an emphasis on developing and delivering innovative courses in geospatial science of human-environment interactions.
- Experience with or the desire to learn about distance and online course delivery.
- Demonstrated ability to contribute to diversity and inclusion of groups that are underrepresented in the academy through education, research, and/or service.
- Experience with enabling and encouraging participation of non-academic audiences in research and teaching. The Department values community engagement, integrating it into the departmental mission, climate, and culture.

**To Apply:** Applicants must submit all application materials electronically via the Utah State University Human Resources website (<https://jobs.usu.edu>; see posting [here](#)). Along with completing the online application, applicants will upload or insert the following:

1. Cover letter
2. CV
3. Statement of research experience and interests (2-page maximum)
4. Statement of teaching experience and philosophy (2-page maximum)
5. Statement of prior and intended contributions to diversity and inclusion in relation to the university mission in learning, discovery, and engagement (2-page maximum)

[The S. J. & Jessie E. Quinney College of Natural Resources](#) is nationally and internationally recognized for its research, extension, and teaching on natural and socio-environmental ecosystems. It is a high-impact college at Utah State University with almost \$11M in research funding annually, 61 tenure-track faculty in three departments, and close partnerships with federal and state natural resource agencies. [The Department of Environment and Society](#) uses the social, environmental, and interdisciplinary sciences to understand human-environment interactions at a range of spatial scales and to bring human considerations into natural resource and environmental management. Faculty promote people-centered solutions for sustainability transitions and climate change adaptations and deliver graduate and undergraduate education in environmental studies and social sciences, recreation resource management, and geography. Together we value inclusive practices, center socio-environmental justice, and work towards greater diversity of community.

Utah State University (USU) was founded in 1888 and is Utah's land-grant and space-grant university. USU is one of only 146 research institutions in the U.S. classified as R1 "very high research activity" by the Carnegie Classification of Institutions of Higher Education. As one of the two premier research institutions in Utah, USU provides a high-quality education at an affordable price. With its main campus in Logan, the university serves approximately 27,500 students, including 24,255 undergraduates and 3,171 graduate students. USU Online has served students from all 50 states and 55 countries for 25 years. USU's statewide system features three residential campuses, 30 total campus locations, and 23 Extension education centers. The university employs 903 full-time faculty members, 124 executive administrators, and 1,649 full-time support staff. USU offers 115 undergraduate majors, as well as 91 master's and 42 doctoral degrees. [Learn more](#) about USU.

A core characteristic of USU is engagement with communities and people in economic development, improvements to quality of life, and human capital. Through the practical application of knowledge, the University and its faculty engage and share expertise with the state, nation, and world, preserving the historical land-grant tradition of partnering with communities to address critical societal issues in the interest of the public good. The USU main campus is located in beautiful [Logan, Utah](#), a city of about 50,000 situated in a picturesque mountain valley about 80 miles north of Salt Lake City. Outstanding recreational opportunities abound in the nearby mountains and proximate region.

USU is sensitive to the needs of dual career couples and provides a [Dual Career Assistance program](#) to support careers for partners who are also seeking employment. USU endeavors to provide reasonable accommodations to ensure equal access in all aspects of employment to qualified persons with disabilities. To request a reasonable accommodation for a disability, please contact the university's ADA Coordinator in the Human Resource office at 435-797-0122 or submit a request at [hr@usu.edu](mailto:hr@usu.edu).

USU Land Acknowledgment: Please visit our website to learn about [Utah State's land acknowledgment](#) of the eight tribes of Utah.

Notice of Non-discrimination: In its programs and activities, including in admissions and employment, Utah State University does not discriminate or tolerate discrimination, including harassment, based on race, color, religion, sex, national origin, age, genetic information, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, disability, status as a protected veteran, or any other status protected by University policy, Title IX, or any other federal, state, or local law.

The following individuals have been designated to handle inquiries regarding the application of Title IX and its implementing regulations and/or USU's non-discrimination policies:

*Executive Director of the Office of Equity* Matthew Pinner, [discrimination@usu.edu](mailto:discrimination@usu.edu), Distance Education Rm. 401, 435-797-1266; *Title IX Coordinator* Hilary Renshaw, [titleix@usu.edu](mailto:titleix@usu.edu), Distance Education Rm. 404, 435-797-1266  
Mailing address: 5100 Old Main Hill, Logan, UT 84322.

For further information regarding non-discrimination, please visit <https://equity.usu.edu/>, or contact:

*U.S. Department of Education, Office of Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights*, 800-421-3481, [OCR@ed.gov](mailto:OCR@ed.gov);  
*U.S. Department of Education, Denver Regional Office*, 303-844-5695, [OCR.Denver@ed.gov](mailto:OCR.Denver@ed.gov)