

Assistant Professor of Practice in Forest Management

The School of Forestry at Northern Arizona University invites applications for the position of Assistant Professor of Practice in Forest Management. This is a 12-month, non-tenure-track appointment, starting July 2022. We seek an applicant with relevant expertise in forest planning and management with at least five years of experience in the professional forestry sector. At a minimum, the successful applicant will:

- With faculty, lead the development and implementation of a management plan for the Centennial Forest in coordination with Arizona State Land Department, Arizona Department of Forestry and Fire Management, and other stakeholders;
- Coordinate workforce development programs related to wildland fire, land management, and other associated tasks;
- Hire and supervise summer workforce and work-study students;
- Teach a variety of forestry class- or field-based courses;
- Work alongside faculty, students, and staff at NAU, as well as other stakeholders across Arizona to seek funding for developing and implementing Centennial Forest research and education programs;
- Assist with planning and advisement on research and educational opportunities at NAU's Historic Hat Ranch;
- Organize and provide oversight of extracurricular activities related to student clubs, such as timber and logging sports, and facilities at the Centennial Forest;
- Provide updates and coordinate proposed Centennial Forest activities with Arizona Department of Forestry and Fire Management;
- Participate in an annual review of the Intergovernmental Agreement for the Centennial Forest and provide a written report of yearly activities describing outcomes and accomplishments (students and classes taught, research conducted, papers published, etc.)

This position will report directly to the Executive Director of the School of Forestry.

Minimum Qualifications

- Master's degree in forestry or closely related field.
- At least five years professional experience in forest/land management.

Preferred Qualifications

- Master's degree focus on forest/land management, silviculture, or related topics.
- Bachelor's degree in forestry or closely related field.
- Professional certifications related to forestry and forest management;
- Demonstrated experience in staff supervision;
- Demonstrated teaching experience; and
- Evidence of or potential for excellence in working with students and individuals from a variety of culturally diverse backgrounds, including rural and Southwest populations.

The anticipated start date for this position is July 2022.

NAU affirms the importance and critical need for diversity, equity, inclusion, and justice (DEIJ) in higher education and we seek to hire an individual with a strong track record of engagement with DEIJ in their professional endeavors. We require as part of your application inclusion of a one-page DEIJ statement that addresses your values and/or philosophy, accomplishments, experiences, education, and training with DEIJ. We highly encourage the integration of one or more of the following considerations into your statement and to be as specific and concrete as possible in any examples you provide: Past and future integration of DEIJ aspects and issues into your professional activities, and any impact of that DEIJ inclusion on the institution, your discipline, and the larger community; Professional, industry, and/or community service that contributes to building respectful and inclusive organizational climates, advances institutional recruitment of marginalized people, and raises awareness of DEIJ issues.

General Information

The School of Forestry offers B.S., M.F., M.S. and Ph.D. degrees. Our faculty represent a diversity of scholars and educators from multiple disciplines and cultures who address local, regional, and international forestry issues. Our academic and research programs are internationally recognized for their excellence. Our location in the ponderosa pine forests of Northern Arizona and our proximity to life zones ranging from Sonoran Desert to alpine tundra provide an ideal place to teach and conduct research. Our well-equipped facility jointly houses the School of Forestry, the Ecological Restoration Institute, Centennial Forest (education and research forest), and a unit of the USDA Forest Service Rocky Mountain Research Station.

Submission Deadline

This position will be open until filled or closed. Review of applications will begin on April 18, 2022.

Applications must be submitted through nau.jobs (please quote Job ID 606142) and must include: (1) a letter of interest highlighting your particular qualifications for this position; (2) a curriculum vitae; (3) unofficial graduate transcripts of all college level work; (4) one-page DEIJ statement (see description above) and (5) names and contact information for three professional references (phone number, email, and address). Save all items as PDF documents.

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