

TENURE-TRACK ASSISTANT PROFESSOR OF BIOLOGY POSITION OPEN NOW

The Department of Biology at Pacific Lutheran University invites applications for a faculty position at the rank of Assistant Professor beginning September 1, 2025. The successful applicant will be a plant biologist with expertise in ecology and/or conservation biology. The position carries a teaching load of 6 courses per year with both lecture and lab sections counting toward that total. In addition, they will provide oversight of the greenhouse and herbarium in collaboration with the laboratory manager.

The individual's annual teaching responsibilities may include involvement in the general biology sequence, non-majors Introductory Ecology, as well as upper division courses in ecological and botanical topics complementary to the candidate's area of expertise. Geospatial skills are desirable. Opportunities may also exist to teach and/or mentor in the Environmental Studies interdisciplinary program.

We are looking for an individual who identifies first and foremost as an educator and is dedicated to using effective and inclusive teaching methods and practices. Our students come from various backgrounds with different values and beliefs. Many of them are first-generation college students, non-traditional students, students of color and LGBTQ students.

We particularly welcome applications from individuals who can facilitate discussions across diverse perspectives and who share our commitment to promoting diversity, inclusion, and equity in their teaching approaches.

A Ph.D. in biology or related discipline with a preference in ecology and/or conservation biology. Is required. ABD will be considered, but Ph.D. must be in hand by September 1, 2025. This full-time, tenure-track Assistant Professor position is available September 1, 2025. Academic year is from September to May.

For more information, contact Dr. Matt Smith at smithmf@plu.edu.

