



VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT

ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR OF POLITICAL SCIENCE

Full time, permanent position

Starting date: September 1st, 2015 (or later)

JOB DESCRIPTION

TEACHING

The successful candidate will have to:

- teach political science courses at both undergraduate and graduate levels (lectures, reading and methodology seminars, tutorials, etc.)
- teach courses in English and/or French
- take part in life-long learning activities
- carry out all duties associated with teaching (student advising, student recruitment, class preparation, grading, etc.)

RESEARCH

The successful candidate will have to:

- take part in the development of research within ESPOL-LAB
- participate in national and international academic conferences and disseminate his/her research findings through scientific publications
- engage in national and international research networks
- attract research funding and submit grant applications
- prepare, in the medium term, the 'accreditation to supervise research' (*habilitation à diriger des recherches*).

ADMINISTRATIVE RESPONSIBILITIES

The successful candidate will have to:

- be open to take charge of administrative and pedagogic responsibilities within the School (such as the coordination of a Bachelor or Master Programme)
- support the mission of ESPOL by contributing to the general operation of the school, to its administration and communities
- contribute to the academic and intellectual life of Lille Catholic University

JOB CONTEXT

The successful candidate will have a personal working space and all the necessary equipment (computer, Internet access, library access and so on) to carry out his/her duties. The remuneration will depend on the qualifications and experience.

ESPOL

ESPOL, the European School of Political and Social Sciences, was created in 2012 within the Catholic University of Lille. It provides interdisciplinary training in English and French focused specifically towards political and European careers. The Catholic University of Lille combines in one visible, mutually supportive, interdisciplinary structure, 6 Faculties, 20 Ecoles (vocational training schools and institutes), 30 research teams, a hospital complex with 700 beds and a child guidance centre. These institutions share the same educational philosophy based on excellence, humanist values, achievement and solidarity. With 22,660 full-time students, Lille Catholic University is France's largest private university with four major fields of study: Law, Economics and Management; Sciences and Engineering; Humanities; Health Sciences and Social Work.

RESEARCH AT ESPOL-LAB

The successful candidate will be affiliated with ESPOL-LAB, the research center of ESPOL. Members of ESPOL-LAB are actively involved in research in the fields of comparative politics (with a focus on European and Asian politics), political theory (with a focus on both the history of political thought and analytical political philosophy), public policy and administration, and international relations (security and peace). Research activities are currently centered on two priority areas: (1) Quality of Democracy and (2) Europe in a Globalized World. ESPOL is a member of the ECPR.

REQUIRED QUALIFICATIONS

- Ph.D. in political science or a related discipline.
- Candidates specialized in all the subfields of political science will be considered. However, candidates with a background in the following subfields will be given special preference: international relations, security studies, food policies, agricultural policies, environmental policies, and European Union politics.
- An emerging track record of high quality publications in political science/public policy journals or equivalent, or an emerging research profile in political science/public policy.
- Ability to teach in English and/or French. Knowledge of French is not a requirement but the successful candidate will be expected to master this language within the first two years of employment.
- A successful teaching experience in political science at undergraduate or postgraduate levels would be an asset.
- Excellent communication skills.
- Willingness to engage in collaborative research with other members of the School.
- The successful candidate will be required to live in Lille or its close surroundings.

HOW TO APPLY

Applications should be addressed to Alexis MASSART, Director of ESPOL, and sent by email at the following addresses: carine.ledoux@univ-catholille.fr and espol.recrutements@gmail.com.

The application must include:

- A cover letter in French or English;
- Three writing samples;
- A detailed CV with a list of publications;
- Contact information of three referees who can be contacted by the selection committee.

Closing date for applications: **25 May 2015 at 12 noon.**

Selected candidates shall be invited to travel to the School, at their own expense, for interview. The invitations shall be sent by 5 June at the latest and interviews shall take place during the second half of June.

Applicants who wish to ask further questions about this position are encouraged to send their query to espol.recrutements@gmail.com

Webpage: www.espol-lille.eu.