

**Position: Assistant Professor in Philosophy**

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The University of Maine's Department of Philosophy seeks a dynamic, innovative scholar and teacher to join our small, collegial, pluralistic department at Maine's flagship land and sea grant institution. We invite applicants for a tenure-track, academic-year position as assistant professor with an area of specialization in biomedical ethics. The anticipated start date is August 29, 2022.

Essential duties and responsibilities include, but are not limited to:

Candidates will be expected to teach core and advanced courses in bioethics (and other service and major-focused courses) with a 5 course per academic year assignment. This position is part of a cluster hire at UMaine in Rural Community Wellbeing; other positions in this cluster will be housed in units such as Communication Sciences and Disorders, School of Food and Agriculture, Nursing, Psychology, Sociology, Cooperative Extension, and Communication and Journalism. To address the focal area of Rural Community Wellbeing as well as diversity, equity and inclusivity commitments of this cluster, we seek candidates who have research interests that can connect to themes of rural health, community and wellbeing; these could include research questions relevant to race, age, socioeconomics, disability, mental health, and/or neurodiversity, especially as these may matter in rural communities. With these interests in mind, the department is looking for candidates with an area of competence in social and political philosophy broadly conceived to include areas such as philosophy of race, Indigenous American philosophy, comparative philosophy, or a similar field. An interest in research collaborations with other members of the cluster hire is required; interest in collaborating across disciplines in service and teaching is also desirable. Service to the department, college, and university is expected.

**About the University:**

The University of Maine is a community of more than 11,700 undergraduate and graduate students, and 2,500 employees located on the Orono campus, the regional campus in Machias, and throughout the state. UMaine is the state land and sea grant university and maintains a leadership role as the System's flagship university. As a result, it is dedicated to providing excellent teaching, research, and service at the university, state, and national levels. Further information about UMaine can be found at <https://umaine.edu/>

The University of Maine offers a [wide range of benefits](#) for employees including, but not limited to, tuition benefits (employee and dependent), comprehensive insurance coverage including medical, dental, vision, life insurance, and short and long term disability as well as retirement plan options. As a former NSF ADVANCE institution, the University of Maine is committed to diversity in our workforce and to dual-career couples.

UMaine is located in beautiful Central Maine. Many employees report that a primary reason for choosing to come to UMaine is quality of life. Numerous cultural activities, excellent public schools, safe neighborhoods, high quality medical care, little traffic, and a reasonable cost of living make the greater Bangor area a wonderful place to live. Learn more about what the Bangor region has to offer [here](#).

The University of Maine System is considered a federal contractor and therefore required to comply with the directives of civil authorities regarding COVID vaccinations. As of January 4, 2022, new hires are required to be fully vaccinated or have submitted a request for a religious or medical exemption on or prior to their start date. Further information can be found [here](#).

**Qualifications:****Required:**

- Ph.D. in Philosophy or closely related field required by date of hire
- Area of specialization: biomedical ethics
- Area of competence: social and political philosophy broadly conceived to include areas such as philosophy of race, Indigenous American philosophy, comparative philosophy, or a similar field
- Research interest(s) pertaining to issues relevant to rural community wellbeing and relevant issues of diversity, equity and inclusion
- Interest in research collaborations with other members of the Rural Community Wellbeing cluster hire
- Evidence of ability to teach successful courses at the undergraduate level
- Evidence of ability to develop and pursue a research agenda, including peer-reviewed publications, in the candidate's area of expertise
- Effective oral and written communication skills

**Preferred:**

- Interest in collaborating on service and teaching with colleagues outside the philosophy department and potentially outside of the university

**Other Information:**

Materials must be submitted via the following link:

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You will need to create a profile and application; upload:

- 1) a cover letter which describes your experience, interests, and suitability for the position
- 2) a resume/curriculum vitae
- 3) contact information for three professional references
- 4) unofficial transcripts (official transcripts may be requested later)
- 5) a sample of scholarly work
- 6) a research statement that addresses candidate's connections to the Rural Community Wellbeing and DEI related aspects of this position
- 7) teaching portfolio (including sample syllabi, summary of course evaluations, and a teaching statement)

You will also need to submit the affirmative action survey, the self-identification of disability form, and the self-identification of veteran status forms. Incomplete application materials cannot be considered. Materials received after the initial review date will be reviewed at the discretion of the University.

**Search Timeline is as follows:**

Review of applications to begin: January 17, 2022

Screening interviews to begin no earlier than: January 24, 2022

On-site interviews to begin no earlier than: February 1, 2022

Tentative start date: August 29, 2022

For questions about the search, please contact search committee chair Don Beith at [donald.beith@maine.edu](mailto:donald.beith@maine.edu) or 207-581-3887.

Appropriate background checks are required.

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