Position: Lecturer in Philosophy


The University of Maine’s Department of Philosophy seeks a dynamic, innovative teacher to join our small, collegial, pluralistic department at Maine’s flagship land and sea grant institution. We invite applicants for an ongoing academic-year lecturer position anticipated to start August 29, 2022.

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

This position has a 4/4 teaching load and no research expectations. The position’s teaching focus is significantly ethics-related but will also ideally include a broad range of philosophy courses for majors and non-majors. The successful candidate will also teach multiple sections of a 1-credit graduate-level research ethics course. Desired additional courses for this position include introduction to religious studies, classical Indian philosophy, Medieval and Renaissance philosophy, the history of Modern philosophy, and/or methods of reasoning. In addition to ordinary expectations for campus service, there is also a required service component for the position—namely, serving as the coordinator of UMaine’s minors in both religious studies and Judaic studies. The department therefore desires a candidate who shows evidence of having previously coordinated an academic program at some level. We also prefer candidates who show evidence of shaping their teaching pedagogy and/or materials to address issues of diversity, equity, and inclusion in philosophy.

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 Religious Studies required by date of hire
- Teaching expertise in ethics (including evidence of ability to teach courses such as ethics, contemporary moral problems, and research ethics)
- Evidence of ability to teach one or more of the following courses: introduction to religious studies, classical Indian philosophy, Medieval and Renaissance philosophy, history of Modern philosophy, methods of reasoning
- Evidence of ability to teach successful courses at the undergraduate level
- Effective oral and written communication skills

**Preferred:**
- Experience coordinating an academic program
- Evidence of shaping teaching pedagogy and/or materials to address issues of diversity, equity, and inclusion in philosophy
- A record of success in developing donor or community relationships.

**Other Information:**

Materials must be submitted via the following link provided at the bottom of this page: [https://umaine.hiretouch.com/job-details?jobID=73200&job=lecturer-in-philosophy](https://umaine.hiretouch.com/job-details?jobID=73200&job=lecturer-in-philosophy). You will need to create a profile and application; upload:

1) a cover letter which describes your experience, interests, and suitability for the position with specific reference to the qualifications listed
2) a resume/curriculum vitae
3) contact information for three professional references (letters of recommendation may be requested later)
4) unofficial transcripts (official transcripts may be requested later)
5) teaching portfolio (including sample syllabi, summary of course evaluations, and a teaching statement, which should discuss how the candidate addresses diversity, equity and inclusion in their pedagogical practices and decisions)

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: January 31, 2022
Tentative start date: August 29, 2022

For questions about the search, please contact search committee chair Mike Howard at mhoward@maine.edu or 207-581-3861.

Appropriate background checks are required.

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