



UNIVERSITY of the
WESTERN CAPE

Department of Philosophy

Professor/Associate Professor PhD in Philosophy

The Department of Philosophy, administratively located in the Department of Religion & Theology, invites applications for the post of Professor/Associate Professor of Philosophy, for appointment as from 1 April 2012.

Applicants should hold a Doctorate in Philosophy. In addition to teaching at both undergraduate and postgraduate levels, the successful candidate will be expected to give leadership in restoring Philosophy as a major subject in the undergraduate curriculum, with a view to re-introduce a full postgraduate programme.

Applicants should be committed to research. Candidates with a proven record of excellence in research, and research interests that can complement the existing research projects in the Faculty of Arts, in supervision and in teaching, will have preference. A research and publication profile that shows an interest in critical African and African-Diasporic Philosophy and critical examination of traditional Western Philosophy from these perspectives will serve as a recommendation. Candidates should indicate the level of appointment for which they are applying.

For further information regarding this post, please contact Prof. Christo Lombard on +27 21 959 2206.

Library Services

Head: Research Repository and Digital Scholarship Services

The UWC Library is a well-equipped information and research hub of the University. It is represented by dedicated and knowledgeable staff, strong print and electronic collections, and a quality-driven service ethic. It is also a place of innovation and is proudly developing new facilities and services to meet the changing needs of our clients.

The Library has created a senior position to provide leadership within the area of digital curation. We are seeking the services of a professional who is ready to promote and develop the Library's Repositories, to work towards introducing data curatorial practices and to keep the UWC research community informed of new trends and tools in the area of digital scholarship.

Main duties and responsibilities will involve:

- promoting the growth of the research repository and the electronic theses and dissertations archive through marketing and training activities
- developing these platforms to enhance functionality and responsiveness, and to introduce recognised standards of digital preservation management
- keeping current with best and emerging practices within digital scholarship, and work to promote their adoption on campus
- working with a committee of stakeholders to oversee effective stewardship of UWC's digital assets.

Minimum requirements for appointment include:

- a postgraduate qualification in the field of Library and Information Science or allied field
- alternatively, evidence of direct professional experience to demonstrate strong familiarity with issues related to digital scholarship
- at least five years' experience in an academic or research library
- ability to work independently
- effective planning and organisational ability
- strong communication and presentation skills
- technical knowledge, including experience with one or more metadata set.

For further information regarding this post, please contact Ms Allison Fullard (Deputy Director: Library Services) +27 021 959 2923.

South African National Bioinformatics Institute (SANBI)

Director at Professorial Level

The University of the Western Cape (UWC) is host to the South African National Bioinformatics Institute (SANBI). Over the past ten years, SANBI has developed a reputation for genomics research, both nationally and internationally. In South Africa, SANBI is recognised for its contribution to Bioinformatics training and research as an MRC unit for Bioinformatics capacity development, and currently the only DST/NRF Research Chair in Bioinformatics. Internationally, SANBI's reputation has been cemented through ongoing collaborations such as the World Health Organisation Tropical Disease Research Programme, EU framework projects and NIH-funded mammalian transcriptome initiatives.

UWC now wishes to appoint an internationally recognised Computational Biologist as Director of SANBI at the level of Full Professor. The successful candidate will provide direction for the strategic growth of SANBI and carry out cutting-edge Bioinformatics research. As a leading Computational Biologist in South Africa, the candidate will contribute towards genomics capacity building, nationally and on the African continent.

Appointment requires a PhD in Bioinformatics or a related mathematical field, coupled with a track record in securing external research funding.

For further information and an informal discussion, contact Alan Christoffels on +27 21 959 3645.

To apply, please send your CV and motivating letter (including a full postal/e-mail address and telephone/fax numbers of three contactable referees) together with copies of your ID and highest qualification to: Ms Genevieve Bucchianeri, Human Resources Department, University of the Western Cape, Private Bag X17, Bellville 7535, or via e-mail to gbucchianeri@uwc.ac.za

Closing date: 18 November 2011

In line with the University's commitment to diversifying its workforce, applications from designated groups will be given priority consideration. The University reserves the right not to make an appointment or to make an appointment at a lower level.

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