



VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT

Assistant Professor (Tenured) of Political Science

Specializing in International Development/ Food Policy / Agricultural Policy/ Environmental Policy

Full time, permanent position

Starting date: September 1st, 2017

The European School of Political and Social Sciences ([ESPOL](#)) invites applications of outstanding candidates for a tenured position at the rank of Assistant Professor of Political Science, specializing in one or more of the above mentioned fields.

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;
- carry out all duties associated with teaching (marking, student advising, BA/MA thesis supervision, student recruitment, etc.);
- take part in life-long learning activities.

RESEARCH

The successful candidate will have to:

- engage in world leading research;
- 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 etc.) to carry out his/her duties. The remuneration will depend on the candidate's 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 Schools (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 and European politics, political theory, 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.

REQUIRED QUALIFICATIONS

- Ph.D. in political science or a related discipline by the time of the application.
- An emerging track record of high quality publications in political science journals or equivalent.
- Ability to teach in English and/or French. (The ability to speak and teach in another language will be an asset.) NB: a preliminary knowledge of French is not a requirement to apply but is welcome; the successful candidate will be expected to acquire a certain command of French within the first two years of employment.

- A significant 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 two 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: **31 March 2016**.

Short-listed candidates will be invited to travel to the School, at their own expense, for interview. The interviews will take place during the first half of June. The selection will be based on a presentation of the candidate's research in the morning and an interview with the recruitment committee in the afternoon. Further details will be given to the shortlisted candidates at a later stage.

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

ESPOL Webpage: www.espol-lille.eu.