



## **Assistant Professor / Professor in Political Science (with a specialization in the European Union)**

### **Context**

The European School of Political and Social Science (ESPOL) at the Catholic University in Lille invites applications for a full-time permanent position as a maître / maîtresse de conférences (equivalent to Assistant Professor with tenure)/Full Professor in Political Science with a specialization in the European Union). The successful candidate will have the opportunity to pursue their own research while participating in the research activities of ESPOL-Lab, the research centre of ESPOL. He/she will teach in the B.A. and M.A. programmes at ESPOL and potentially in the *École Doctorale Polytechnique Hauts-de-France*, in which ESPOL participates to train PhD students.

ESPOL is a young, diverse, and rapidly growing political science school dedicated to excellence in research and teaching in social and political sciences. Created in 2012, ESPOL offers multidisciplinary, bilingual (English/French) study programmes preparing students to political, European and/or international careers. The Catholic University of Lille, with over 38,000 students, is a multidisciplinary university comprised of five faculties (medicine, law, economics, theology, and humanities), twenty schools and institutes - including ESPOL, six engineering schools; three business and management schools; medical, paramedical, social schools; management schools for the service industry; a Hospital Group – and, in total, some 50 research teams. Collaborative research at ESPOLLAB, bringing twenty French and foreign researchers together, revolves around three broad thematic areas questioning the contemporary transformation of politics: (1) the ‘Quality of democracy’, (2) ‘Reconfigurations of the International’, and (3) ‘Politics of the Anthropocene’. Europe is a structuring, cross-cutting dimension of the research in ESPOL for these three research areas.

### **Profile**

The chosen candidate must have a PhD in political science or political sociology and conduct research in one or more aspect of the politics and policies of the European Union (domestic or foreign policy; EU governance; the history and theory of integration).

The candidate should have a solid record of publishing in international peer-reviewed journals as well as demonstrable experience of higher education teaching; a well-established network of international collaboration is particularly appreciated, as is experience in successful grant applications for EU funding (Horizon, the Jean Monnet programme, Marie Skłodowska-Curie, ERC etc.) or comparable international funding sources.

This position will involve teaching at both B.A. and M.A. level, with a particular emphasis on contributing to the Masters in Global and European Politics that is designed to train future professionals in European and international affairs.

Teaching is conducted in both English and in French at B.A. level; Masters are delivered solely in English thus an excellent command of English is expected. International applications are welcome; a passive understanding is a bonus, but is not a condition for the post. However, a basic command of French is expected after two years in post.

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The successful candidate will teach 4-5 courses a year and take on other teaching duties such as tutoring as well as B.A. and M.A. thesis supervision.

The required application materials are :

- A cover letter, in French or in English, which must include a description of research activities current and future
- A detailed CV including a list of publications ;
- A recent published article or working paper to be presented during the interview ;
- For candidates whose PhD defence was within the last five years, it is necessary to provide the names of three referees who can be contacted if required.

This is a full-time, permanent contract, **position to be filled as of September 1, 2023**. Remuneration is according to the experience of the candidate. Bonuses for publication and possibilities for career advancement based on research and teaching activities. The Habilitation à diriger des recherches (or equivalent professorial thesis) can lead to a recruitment with the status of Full Professor. Applications should be addressed to Alexis MASSART, Director of ESPOL, and sent by email to the following two addresses: [carine.ledoux@univ-catholille.fr](mailto:carine.ledoux@univ-catholille.fr) and [espol.recrutements@univ-catholille.fr](mailto:espol.recrutements@univ-catholille.fr). The **deadline for applications is February 15, 2023**. **Interviews with short-listed candidates will take place in Lille in April 2023**. For further questions and inquiries about the position, please send an email to [espol.recrutements@univ-catholille.fr](mailto:espol.recrutements@univ-catholille.fr). If you wish to benefit from a reasonable accommodation of the selection procedure due to a disability, disorder or illness, please send an email to [espol.recrutements@univ-catholille.fr](mailto:espol.recrutements@univ-catholille.fr).

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