



ESPOL

Assistant Professor / Professor in Comparative Politics

Context

The European School of Political and Social Science (ESPOL) at the Catholic University of Lille invites applications for an Assistant Professor (*maître/maîtresse de conférences*) or Professor in Political Science specializing in comparative politics. The successful candidate will have the opportunity to pursue his/her own research while participating in the research development of ESPOL-LAB, the research centre of ESPOL. He/she will teach in the B.A. and M.A. at ESPOL particularly on themes related to European issues and multi-level governance. An ability to teach the law of European Institutions is also appreciated.

ESPOL is a young, diverse and fast-growing School of Political Science dedicated to excellence in research and teaching in the social and political sciences. Founded in 2012, ESPOL offers multidisciplinary, bilingual (English-French) programmes that prepare students for political, European and international careers. With over 40,000 students, the Catholic University of Lille is a multidisciplinary university comprising 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, service management schools, a hospital group - and a total of around 50 research teams. Collaborative research at ESPOL-LAB, which brings together twenty French and foreign researchers, centre on three thematic areas that taking aim at the contemporary transformation of politics: (1) "Quality of democracy", (2) "Reconfigurations of the international", and (3) "Politics of the Anthropocene". Europe is a structuring dimension of the research carried out at ESPOL, present in each of the three thematic areas.

Candidate profile

The candidate must have a Ph.D. in political science or a similar discipline, an innovative and methodologically sound research agenda and networks capable of providing ESPOL with new perspectives in its teaching and research. With a good knowledge of comparative politics and a particular focus on Europe, he/she will be expected to propose a research project and teaching in ESPOL's priority areas.

The candidate's publications in international journals will demonstrate solid research experience; teaching experience is also essential. With a view to participating fully in ESPOL-LAB, candidates with an interdisciplinary approach in their research are especially encouraged to apply.

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Tasks

The candidate will develop his/her teaching activities at BA and MA level, with opportunities to teach at doctoral level. Courses in comparative politics or European politics are expected at BA level, whereas at M.A level, an ability to share his/her networks and experience with students will be a useful complement to advanced level courses. He/she will also supervise MA and BA dissertations. He/she will be able to lead a teaching team and teach in English. The ability to teach in French is a plus. Finally, he/she will provide a medium-term vision of research and teaching in his/her field.

Applications must include:

- a cover letter in English or in French, including a description of current and planned research projects;
- a CV including a publications list;
- a recent article (published or not), to be presented during the interview;
- for candidates who defended their PhD less than 5 years ago, three university lecturer and researcher referees which could be contacted if necessary.

On a permanent, full-time contract, the position is to be filled from 1 September 2024. Remuneration will be according to the candidate's experience. Publication bonuses and career development possibilities based on research and teaching activity. The *Habilitation à diriger des recherches* (ability to supervise doctoral thesis or equivalent certification) could lead directly to recruitment with the status of Professor position. Progression to a Professor position is also possible, with support in obtaining a *habilitation* available to candidates recruited at Assistant Prof level.

Applications should be sent in electronic format to Raul MAGNI-BERTON, Deputy Director for Research at ESPOL, to the following two addresses: carine.ledoux@univ-catholille.fr and espol.recrutements@univ-catholille.fr. The deadline for applications is the 12th May at 23h59. Interviews will be held in Lille in June 2024. For further questions and inquiries about the position, please send an email to espol.recrutements@univ-catholille.fr.

If you want to ask for reasonable adjustments during the selection procedure due to a disability, disorder or illness, please send an email to espol.recrutements@univ-catholille.fr