

Eastern Illinois University
Department of Political Science Position Announcement
Instructor Position

We are seeking a colleague for a 9-month non-tenure track instructor position for the primary fields of Comparative Politics and Public Policy, in the Department of Political Science at Eastern Illinois University. This is a 1-year appointment with the opportunity for renewal.

Responsibilities: Our new colleague will teach undergraduate and graduate courses and mentor student research. Teaching responsibilities for Fall 2024 include 2 undergraduate courses, the Politics of Developing Nations and Introduction to International Relations, and 1 online Public Policy graduate seminar. Additional classes include Introduction to Politics, non-western comparative politics courses, and graduate comparative politics courses. We prefer candidates who can also teach environmental politics and policy, comparative public policy, or gender politics. The typical teaching load is 7 courses per year, along with student mentoring; workloads are determined by the collective bargaining agreement. The university requires and provides training for online teaching.

Qualifications: Candidates must possess a doctorate or Ph.D. in Political Science, Public Affairs, Public Policy, or ABD status with evidence of substantial progress toward degree completion. Successful candidates will demonstrate a commitment to teaching excellence, with a dedication to mentoring, applied learning, diversity, and promoting inclusive excellence.

Application Process: To apply, submit a letter of application, CV, unofficial graduate transcripts, a 1-page statement of teaching philosophy, and names and contact information for 3 professional references to Interfolio at this link <http://apply.interfolio.com/139849>.

Application review begins February 26 and continues until the position is filled. The start date for this position is August 16, 2024.

The Political Science Department: Our department consists of 8 faculty, a department chair, office staff, and graduate assistants. We offer undergraduate majors in Political Science, International Studies, and Civic and Nonprofit Leadership, an M.A. in Political Science, an online M.A. in Political Science with a Public Administration/Public Policy option, and multiple minors. Learn more about the department at www.eiu.edu/polisci. Questions about the search may be directed to the Search Committee Chair, Dr. Karen Swenson (kbswenson@eiu.edu).

Diversity and Inclusion: Eastern Illinois University is committed to fostering a learning community where all members feel welcomed and valued. The university provides equality of opportunity in all areas of campus life and we strive to recognize and appreciate the unique value of our students, faculty, and staff. Every member of campus has the right to learn and work in an environment free of discrimination and harassment, and beyond that, our goal is for all members of our community to develop a strong sense of belonging to Eastern Illinois University.

The University and Community: Eastern Illinois University takes pride in creating a warm, welcome environment for all faculty, staff and students. EIU boasts a rich, tradition of preparing students for their personal and professional goals. A traditional regional residential institution, EIU offers a superior education at a relatively low cost while consistently earning high rankings and distinctions for its affordability, academic program quality, career placement rates, campus safety, online degree options, student support, and sustainability initiatives. EIU focuses on individualized attention and superior student relationships and has earned recognition as the highest- ranking independent public regional university in Illinois and a place among the Midwest's top public regional universities according to U.S. News and World Report. Eastern offers faculty a wide range of research and public service activities. EIU hosts more than 175 student organizations on campus, and offers a variety of cultural events, NCAA Division I athletics, and active research opportunities for its students to enjoy and to thrive. EIU has become recognized for providing the resources of a large institution while creating the kinds of individual relationships that support student and alumni success.

Eastern Illinois University is located in Charleston, Illinois – a comfortable and safe east central town within a two-to three-hour drive of three major metropolitan areas -- Chicago, Indianapolis, and St. Louis.

Eastern Illinois University is an Affirmative Action/Equal Opportunity Employer - minority/female/disability/veteran - committed to achieving a diverse community.