Lecturers or Senior Lecturers

The Purdue University Department of Biological Sciences is searching for Lecturers or Senior Lecturers; rank and salary will be commensurate with experience. These positions are full-time, academic year, renewable appointments, beginning in August 2021.

Our teaching needs include: introductory biology lecture and lab course for non-majors; introductory lab course for 1st year majors; microbiology lecture course for non-majors; advanced microbiology lab for majors; genetics courses for upper level majors (Eukaryotic Genetics and Human Genetics); cell biology and physiology lecture courses for non-majors; 5-week lab module courses for upper level majors. Lecturer level faculty typically teach two courses or one large course each semester, matching the faculty member’s area of expertise with teaching assignments.

For courses that have been taught routinely, previously used materials will be provided (syllabi; Powerpoint presentations, past exams and assignments). Five-week lab module courses for upper-level majors are flexible in content. Specific responsibilities include: delivering course content; holding office hours and other meetings with students (face-to-face, via video conferencing platforms, etc.); grading assessments such as homework, papers, quizzes and tests; maintaining the course’s presence in Brightspace; supervising TAs for larger courses, and assigning and entering final grades by the University’s deadlines.

Successful candidates will become part of a community committed to outstanding interdisciplinary undergraduate life science education. The introductory lab courses noted above are taught in the newly opened Chaney-Hale Hall of Science. The Department and College of Science have a vibrant group of scholars engaged in STEM and discipline-based education research.

Required Qualifications

A master’s degree with teaching experience, and at least 1 year of experience with university-level lecture and/or lab courses is the minimal with a PhD as preferred. Candidates for appointment at the Senior Lecturer level should have substantial successful teaching experience, and experience in designing or revising courses and curricula design.


Required application documents including a cover letter including a statement of professional interests/goals and curriculum vitae; teaching statement; if the applicant has prior teaching experience, a sample syllabus; and the names and contact information for three professional references.

Purdue University Department of Biological Sciences is committed to advancing diversity in all areas of faculty effort, including scholarship, instruction, and engagement. Candidates should address at least one of these areas in a separate Diversity and Inclusion Statement, indicating their past experiences,
current interests or activities, and/or future goals to promote a climate that values diversity and inclusion.

Review of applications will begin June 25, 2021 and will continue until positions are filled. A background check will be required for employment in this position.

Candidates must have the ability to work in the US without immigration sponsorship from Purdue University.

Purdue Commitment

Purdue University is an EOE/AA employer. All individuals, including minorities, women, individuals with disabilities, and veterans are encouraged to apply.