

TEMPORARY ASSISTANT PROFESSOR/INSTRUCTOR IN POLITICAL SCIENCE
Truman State University

Position: Two full-time temporary positions in political science are available beginning August 17, 2009. The positions are at the rank of Temporary Assistant Professor or Instructor, depending upon qualifications. These positions are one-year appointments with the possibility of renewal for up to three additional years depending on department and university needs (for a possibility of four years total).

Responsibilities: Teach rigorous undergraduate courses in at least two of the three following areas: Comparative Politics, International Relations, and Political Thought. The candidates will also teach Introduction to Political Science. The successful candidates will also have strong training in political methods. Other courses in the candidates' areas of specialization are open.

Qualifications:

Required:

- Ph.D. candidate (ABD) in Political Science
- Course work or academic preparation related to the responsibilities of the position
- Teaching effectiveness or the potential for teaching effectiveness
- Strong oral and written communication skills

Preferred:

- Ph.D. in Political Science (required for appointment at Assistant Professor rank)
- Evidence of commitment to liberal arts education
- Evidence of scholarly activity.

Salary: Salary commensurate with experience; benefits package includes life, health and disability insurance, retirement contributions, and partial reimbursement for moving expenses.

Program: The Political Science Department is part of the College of Arts and Sciences at Truman State University. The department has 8 faculty members and approximately 200 undergraduate majors. The department also offers courses in Truman's Liberal Studies Program. Political Science at Truman State is a highly-structured program that stresses a broad knowledge base in the discipline, a writing intensive curriculum, a gradual and cumulative building of research and communication skills, high expectations of students, and a commitment to liberal learning in general. For more information about the Political Science Department, please visit <http://politicalscience.truman.edu/>.

The University: A vibrant community of teacher-scholars with a highly selective student body, Truman is a residential university focused on providing its approximately 5,800 students with broad liberal arts experiences and depth of study in 47 undergraduate majors and 6 graduate programs. Truman is nationally recognized for the quality of the educational opportunities it offers students and for its leadership in the assessment of student learning and continuous improvement. For the twelfth consecutive year, Truman, Missouri's public liberal arts and sciences university, has been recognized as the No. 1 Public University in the Midwest Region – Master's Category by *U.S. News and World Report*. Located in Kirksville, Missouri, Truman plays a vital role in the life of a thriving rural community served by commuter air service and Amtrak. More information about Truman State University can be found at www.truman.edu and faculty positions at <http://vpaa.truman.edu/positions>.

Application: Send a letter of application, current curriculum vitae, statement of teaching philosophy and commitment to the liberal arts and sciences and student development, three written letters of recommendation, and all graduate and undergraduate transcripts (copies acceptable, official copies of graduate transcripts required prior to hiring) to:

Truman State University
Attn: Temporary Assistant Professor in Political Science Search
College of Arts & Sciences, OP1109
100 E. Normal
Kirksville, Mo 63501

Electronic submission of materials is encouraged and should be sent to cassearch@truman.edu with Temporary Assistant Professor in Political Science Search in the subject line. Review of applications will begin on June 15, 2009, and continue until the positions are filled. If hired, applicants must provide proof of eligibility to work in the United States, documentation of degrees, and official copies of graduate transcripts.

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