



WESTERN MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY

Tenure Track Faculty Position
Microbiology

The Department of Biological Sciences at Western Michigan University seeks applications for one tenure-track position at the Assistant/Associate Professor level, beginning in Fall 2019, pending budgetary approval. The position is part of a cluster hire across the College of Arts and Sciences, with an emphasis on public health solutions. Other faculty will be hired in the departments of Chemistry, Sociology, Economics, Statistics and the Mallinson Institute for Science Education.

(<https://www.wmich.edu/arts-sciences/public-health-cluster-hire>) Applicants whose research investigates interactions between the microbiome and health, including research using human or other animal systems and/or data repositories, are encouraged to apply. The successful candidate's research may use experimental and/or bioinformatics approaches and will complement existing strengths in the department and within the new public health solutions research cluster. Other opportunities for collaborations across the university and with the WMU Homer Stryker M.D. School of Medicine are also available. The successful candidate is expected to establish an extramurally-funded research program, train Master's and PhD students, and support the success of students, including under-represented minorities in STEM. They will also serve on university and departmental committees and teach graduate and undergraduate courses in their area of expertise, which may include courses in microbiology or physiology. A PhD and relevant post-doctoral experience are required. Competitive salary, start-up funding and laboratory space will be offered. Information concerning programs and faculty in the Department of Biological Sciences can be found at www.wmich.edu/biology.

Western Michigan University is a learner-centered, discovery-driven and globally-engaged university with a Carnegie ranking of "higher research activity." Faculty research is regularly supported by federal, state and private funding; in 2017-2018, faculty in the department received over \$2.1 million in external awards. WMU is located in Kalamazoo, Michigan, one hour east of Lake Michigan, and two hours from both Chicago and Detroit. Kalamazoo supports a vibrant arts/theater/music community, with numerous outdoor activities, restaurants, microbreweries and community events.

(<https://www.discoverkalamazoo.com>) It is also home to the Kalamazoo Promise, a fund that provides university or college tuition for students who matriculate through Kalamazoo Public Schools.

(<https://www.kalamazoopromise.com>)

Applicants must apply at <http://www.wmich.edu/hr/jobs> and submit a cover letter, CV, research statement, teaching statement and contact information for three references. Questions about the position may be directed to Dr. Kathryn Docherty at bios-facultysearch@wmich.edu. Review of applications will begin on November 16, 2018 and will proceed until the position is filled; the search committee members represent the breadth of research interests in the department and have

participated in implicit bias training. WMU is an Equal Opportunity/Affirmative Action Employer. As articulated in the College of Arts and Sciences strategic plan, we are committed to fostering a community of diverse, inclusive, equitable and globally-engaged scholars, learners and leaders. All qualified applicants are encouraged to apply, regardless of gender identity, race, ethnicity, sexual orientation, religious affiliation, disability or veteran status.