Position Summary

Fort Lewis College invites qualified applicants to apply for this tenure-track Assistant Professor level faculty position in Physics in the Fort Lewis College Department of Physics and Engineering

Minimum Qualifications

• Ph.D. degree in Physics or a closely related field from an accredited college or university by August 15, 2020
• Proven commitment to undergraduate teaching across the full range of undergraduate physics courses
• Interest and demonstrated ability to develop an active role in extra-curricular, student-centered activities that broaden the undergraduate academic experience
• Research area or interests compatible with undergraduate research

Preferred Qualifications

• Proven successful college teaching experience and well versed in modern pedagogical techniques
• Demonstrated ability to supervise undergraduate research projects in experimental physics
• Proven willingness to contribute outside of your area of academic expertise

Major Responsibilities

• Teach any of the department’s Physics course offerings along with any Engineering course offerings related to the candidate’s expertise as needed by the department
• Guide and mentor students in the classroom, laboratory, and research
• Build and maintain an active scholarship program that is compatible with undergraduate research opportunities for our students
• Interact professionally and collegially with Fort Lewis faculty, staff, and students, being a “team player” contributing to the growth and success of our students, the department, and the college
• Perform any assigned duties related to departmental assessment and ABET accreditation
• Act as a student recruiting and retention agent
• Perform other service-related departmental and college duties as assigned

Work Conditions

The work environment characteristics described here are representative of those that an employee can expect while performing the essential functions of this job. Reasonable accommodations may be made to enable individuals with disabilities to perform the essential functions.

• Moderate noise (i.e. business office with computers, phone, and printers, light traffic).
• Ability to work in a confined area.
• Ability to work with students in groups or individually in the classroom and laboratory, and to mentor students individually or in small groups outside of class or laboratory.
Compensation
Salary is $57,000, plus a comprehensive benefits package. Start date is August 17, 2020.

Application Process
A complete application packet includes:
- Cover letter addressing interest and qualifications for position
  - Include details regarding how your course design and personal and professional experiences allow you to encourage a learning environment grounded in equity and inclusion. “How do you envision contributing to Fort Lewis College’s commitment to equity and inclusion?”
- Curriculum vitae
- Names and contact information for three current, professional references

Submit materials as one PDF file via email to:
physics-search@fortlewis.edu
Attn: Assistant Professor Physics Search

Application materials received on or before January 26, 2020, will receive full consideration.
Position will remain open until filled.

The successful candidate will be required to submit original, official college transcripts, and pass a background check.

The College and the Community
Fort Lewis College, a public institution located in Durango, Colorado, offers degree programs in arts, business, education, health fields, humanities, social and natural sciences, and teacher education. Our inspiring mountain campus is located atop a scenic mesa overlooking historic Durango and situated between the San Juan Mountains and the desert Southwest. We are committed to accessible and high-quality baccalaureate education, and our hallmarks are remarkably close relationships between students and faculty, the freedom of intellectual exploration, and the challenge of experiential learning. Our 3,300 students come from 48 states, 17 countries, with 36% Native American and Alaska Native backgrounds, and 11% Hispanic backgrounds. Durango is a thriving multicultural community of 18,500 set along the beautiful Animas River Valley. Averaging 300 sunny days per year, the community is known for its outdoor lifestyle and friendly, festive atmosphere. Durango is also the cultural and economic hub of the Four Corners region, rich in dining, shopping, and entertainment, and linked with airline service to hubs in Denver, Phoenix, and Dallas.

Equal Opportunity
Fort Lewis College does not discriminate on the basis of race, age, color, religion, national origin, gender, disability, sexual orientation, gender identity, gender expression, political beliefs, veteran status, pregnancy, or genetic information. Accordingly, equal opportunity for employment, admission, and education shall be extended to all persons. The College shall promote equal opportunity, equal treatment, and affirmative action efforts to increase the diversity of students, faculty, and staff. The College is dedicated to building a culturally diverse and pluralistic faculty and staff committed to teaching and working in a multicultural environment; applications from underrepresented groups are strongly encouraged.

ADAA Accommodations
Any person with a disability as defined by the ADA Amendments Act of 2008 (ADAAA) may be provided a reasonable accommodation upon request to enable the person to complete an employment assessment. To request an accommodation, please contact Kristin Polens by phone 970-247-7459 or
email kpolens@fortlewis.edu at least five business days before the assessment date to allow us to evaluate your request and prepare for the accommodation. You may be asked to provide additional information, including medical documentation, regarding functional limitations and type of accommodation needed. Please ensure that you have this information available well in advance of the assessment date.