

Tenure-Track Faculty Position in Forensic & Investigative Science: West Virginia University

The Forensic & Investigative Science Program at West Virginia University invites applications for a tenure-track assistant professor position. The successful candidate will begin their faculty appointment in August 2010

Minimum requirements are a Ph.D. in forensic science, or in one of the relevant natural sciences, or in computer science or engineering, with relevant research interest in forensic applications of these fields at the time of appointment. The relevant areas of interest include latent fingerprint examination, firearm examination, forensic DNA analysis, trace evidence analysis, and forensic optical/electron microscopy. The successful candidate will be expected to: demonstrate a commitment to teaching forensic science at both the undergraduate and graduate levels; mentor graduate students in thesis research; and develop a multidisciplinary research program in forensic science leading to peer-reviewed publications and competitive external research funding.

WVU is a comprehensive land grant university designated by the Carnegie Commission on Higher Education as a Research - High Activity Institution. The Forensic and Investigative Science Program consists of a FEPAC accredited undergraduate program leading to the BS degree and graduate program leading to the MS degree. The Program website <http://forensics.wvu.edu/> contains information about the course offerings at both undergraduate and graduate levels. There are currently 6 full-time faculty members, 19 graduate students, and more than 350 undergraduate pre-majors and majors affiliated with the program. The program is housed in an 18,000 sq. ft facility that opened in 2007. The facility is equipped with state-of-the-art laboratories and extensive modern forensic and analytical instrumentation. The program also has a field laboratory complex consisting of three crime scene houses and a vehicle processing facility.

To apply, send (1) a curriculum vitae including a full list of publications and relevant teaching experience, (2) a research plan for the next five years. Please arrange for three letters of recommendation to be sent separately. E-mail applications consisting of a single file in pdf format can be sent to keith.morris@mail.wvu.edu. Paper applications should be addressed to Dr. Keith B. Morris, Forensic & Investigative Science Program, 208 Oglebay Hall, West Virginia P.O. Box 6121, Morgantown, WV 26506-6121. Questions may be directed to Dr. Morris at 304-293-3169. Review of applications will begin December 6, 2009 and continue until the position is filled. Women, minorities, and persons with disabilities are strongly encouraged to apply. West Virginia University is an affirmative action, equal opportunity employer.