



OTTERBEIN
UNIVERSITY
School of Arts & Sciences

DEPARTMENT OF BIOLOGY AND EARTH SCIENCE
Assistant Professor of Biology
(Tenure-track)

QUALIFICATIONS: Expertise in plants, fungi, algae or photosynthetic bacteria and a Ph.D. with research and teaching experience is required.

WHEN: Fall 2019.

RESPONSIBILITIES: Teach in the Introductory Biology sequence, a biology course for education majors and upper-level electives for biology majors. We are seeking an outstanding candidate with a commitment to teaching in the liberal arts context and the ability to integrate undergraduate students into an active research program. A strong publication record and evidence of teaching effectiveness will be important in the selection process.

DEPARTMENT: The Department of Biology & Earth Science, composed of twelve full-time and five part-time faculty members, prepares students for careers in biology, plant science, molecular biology, environmental science, earth science, and various medical fields. The department offers majors in Biology, Environmental Science, Sustainability Studies, and Zoo and Conservation Science and minors in Biology, Earth Science and Sustainability Studies. The Biochemistry and Molecular Biology major is an interdisciplinary major supported by the Department of Biology and Earth Science and the Department of Chemistry.

OTTERBEIN UNIVERSITY: Otterbein University is a small private university nationally-recognized for its intentional blending of liberal arts and professional studies through its renowned Integrative Studies curriculum and its commitments to experiential learning and community engagement. Otterbein's commitment to opportunity started with its founding in 1847 as one of the nation's first universities to welcome women and persons of color to its community of teachers and learners. Otterbein remains committed to its relationship with the United Methodist Church and its spirit of inclusion, and to extending its legacy of recruiting a heterogeneous faculty, student body, and staff; to fostering a climate that doesn't just accommodate differences, but engages with them; and to providing rich opportunities for learning from those differences. Otterbein is a recipient of the 2015 Carnegie Community Service Classification; a finalist for the 2014 President's Award for Economic Opportunity Community Service; and has been honored With Distinction by the President's Higher Education Community Service Honor Roll since the list's inception in 2006. It stands in its category's top 10 percent in U.S. News & World Report's guide to "America's Best Colleges." Otterbein's student population includes 2,400 undergraduate and 500 graduate students. The University offers more than 70 undergraduate majors; seven master's programs; and a doctorate in nursing practice (DNP). In addition, Otterbein is home to The Point — a science, technology, engineering, arts and math (STEAM) innovation center — which is a one-of-a-kind resource that combines academics with the business and manufacturing needs of our community.

WHERE: Otterbein University is located in Westerville, Ohio, a suburb of Columbus that has been ranked the fifth friendliest town in America by Forbes and Nextdoor.com in 2012 and 15th on Money Magazine's 2009 list of Best Places to Live. Westerville has a population of approximately 36,000 people and combines the beauty and convenience of a medium-sized community with the cultural, educational, and economic benefits of Columbus, the state capital; a thriving and diverse metropolitan area of 1.4 million people. Central Ohio is the fastest growing area in the state with stability provided by a diversified economy. To learn more about Otterbein, visit www.otterbein.edu.

APPLICATION: Send letter of application, curriculum vitae, statement of teaching philosophy, research statement, and three (3) current letters of recommendation. A diversity statement is also required, consisting of no more than one single-spaced page, addressing the following two questions: How do you incorporate diversity into your classrooms? How do notions or values of diversity, equity and inclusion influence you as a teacher or scholar? Send application materials to: Dr. Paul Eisenstein, Dean, School of Arts and Sciences, Otterbein University, 1 South Grove Street, Westerville, OH USA 43081. Email submissions (preferred): academicjobs@otterbein.edu. For full consideration, applications should be received by December 3, 2018. Visit us at www.otterbein.edu/artsandsciences to learn more about the School of Arts and Sciences. Finalists for the position will be asked to submit an official transcript for their highest degree earned. Otterbein University is an EEO Employer.

Otterbein University is committed to providing a welcoming environment free from unlawful discrimination. To this end, the University prohibits any form of discrimination against any person on the basis of race, color, sex, gender, pregnancy, religion, creed, marital status, partnership status, age, sexual orientation, gender identity, gender expression, national origin, disability, military status, or any other legally protected status in its programs and activities. However, the University's commitment to a nondiscriminatory environment is not intended to abridge unduly its commitment to academic freedom, free speech, or its educational mission. Inquiries or complaints regarding any form of discrimination or harassment may be directed to:

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