

Assistant Teaching Professor
Worcester Polytechnic Institute

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Department
Institution Worcester Polytechnic Institute
Worcester, Massachusetts

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DEPARTMENT NAME

Integrative and Global Studies Department

DIVISION NAME

Worcester Polytechnic Institute - WPI

JOB DESCRIPTION SUMMARY

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Successful candidates will teach courses that prepare students for off-campus, including international, project work. The course includes materials related to social science research methods, effective communications and teamwork, ethical research and often includes material related to the students' project country/location.

In addition, assistant teaching professors will be required to travel with groups of students to advise their Interactive Qualifying Projects at WPI's project centers around the world. Faculty also meet with student teams, regularly, during the term prior to travel to assist in the preparation of research proposals to guide the students' work.

WPI is passionate about creating an inclusive workplace that promotes and values diversity. We are looking for candidates who can support our commitment to equity, diversity and inclusion.

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RESPONSIBILITIES

Faculty are required to prepare and travel with students to supervise their Interactive Qualifying Projects (IQP) at one or more of WPI's project center destinations around the world. The IQP is one of the most distinctive elements of the WPI Plan and WPI's signature project-based curriculum. Unlike an academic course, this nine-credit-hour requirement involves students working in teams, with students not in their major, to tackle an issue that relates science, engineering, and technology to society.

WPI operates in 7-week academic terms. Faculty will be expected to both teach "Social Science Research Methods for the IQP," and advise students, on-site, during a travel term that typically lasts 7-8 weeks. As stated above, the course must include content related to social science research methods, effective communications and teamwork, and ethical research. It often includes material related to the students' project country/location. Students work in teams (usually of four students) to complete a research proposal that will guide their project work off-campus.

Faculty traveling with students are called "Advisers." They guide students through their project experience while also providing student support onsite. Advisors are asked to lead onsite orientations, respond to emergencies, and assist project teams to resolve issues of group dynamics, sponsor relationships, or other issues that arise. These highly demanding positions require a significant amount of flexibility, self-initiative, and the ability to excel under challenging conditions while efficiently accomplishing tasks in a fast-paced environment. Advisors are also expected to participate in all predeparture training and orientation to prepare them to address health and safety issues while

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REQUIREMENTS

An ideal applicant will hold a PhD in a related discipline with relevant practical, in addition to successful undergraduate teaching experience. Experience living or working abroad is also highly desired.

Fluency in foreign languages is desirable, but not required.

Applicants should submit a curriculum vitae, cover letter, and names and contact information for three references. The cover letter should feature the candidate's relevant teaching experience, area(s) of scholarly interest, and commitments to enhancing diversity, equity, and inclusion in higher education.

FLSA STATUS

United States of America (Exempt)

WPI is an Equal Opportunity Employer that actively seeks to increase the diversity of its workplace. All qualified candidates will receive consideration for employment without regard to race, color, age, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, national origin, veteran status, or disability. It seeks individuals with diverse backgrounds and experiences who will contribute to a culture of creativity, collaboration, inclusion, problem solving, innovation, high performance, and change making. It is committed to maintaining a campus environment free of harassment and discrimination.

To apply, visit: https://wpi.wd5.myworkdayjobs.com/en-US/WPI_External_Career_Site/job/Worcester/Assistant-Teaching-Professor_R0002584

About WPI

WPI is a vibrant, active, and diverse community of extraordinary students, world-renowned faculty, and state of the art research facilities. At WPI, we have competitive and comprehensive benefits, including health insurance, long-term care, retirement, tuition assistance, flexible spending accounts, work-life balance and much more.

Diversity & Inclusion at WPI

WPI is committed to creating an inclusive workplace where everyone feels valued and respected; a place where every student, faculty and staff member can be themselves, so that they can study, live, and work comfortably, to reach their full potential, and make meaningful contributions in order to meet departmental and institutional goals. WPI thrives on innovative practice and welcomes diverse

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perspectives, insight, and people from diverse lived experiences, to enhance the community environment and propel the institution to the next level in a competitive, global marketplace.

Contact Information

Please reference Academickeys in your cover letter when applying for or inquiring about this job announcement.

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