

St. Thomas University

Limited-Term Appointment in Environment & Society

The Environment & Society program at St. Thomas University invites applications for a 24-month limited-term appointment at the rank of Assistant Professor, to begin July 1st, 2024, pending budgetary approval. Environment & Society understands sustainability as a normative process of reimagining and reconstructing social systems that support people and the planet, rather than the pursuit of technological fixes. The successful candidate will have knowledge of systems theory and systems transitions.

St. Thomas University is an undergraduate, liberal arts institution with a full-time enrolment of 1,600. Its students graduate with Bachelor of Arts, Applied Arts, Education, and Bachelor and Master level Social Work degrees. The faculty members are distinguished teachers, researchers, and scholars, and the university holds two Canada Research Chairs.

The Environment & Society program seeks candidates with a demonstrated potential for excellence in undergraduate teaching in sustainability and systems transitions. An active research area in this field is also expected. The successful candidate will teach introductory and advanced courses in sustainability, systems theory, and systems transitions. The successful applicant will be expected to use a systems transitions approach to teach courses such as Critical Food Studies, Environmental Communications, Urban Sustainability Planning, and Health and Sustainability. Competencies in participatory and experiential learning pedagogies would be considered an asset.

A PhD in environmental or sustainability studies is required. Completed applications must include a letter of application that describes the applicant's teaching experience, scholarly interests and achievements, and potential contributions to the program as specified in the qualifications listed above. The application must also include a *curriculum vitae* and a teaching dossier that provides evidence of teaching effectiveness, such as sample course syllabi, teaching evaluations, and a statement of teaching philosophy. Applicants should also submit a statement of current and prospective research interests and activities, samples of scholarly work, and arrange to have three letters of reference sent electronically to Dr. Laura Levick, Chair of the ENVSLTA Hiring Committee, St. Thomas University, ENVSLTA2024@stu.ca.

Closing Date: noon on February 9th, 2024, or when the position is filled. Applicants are responsible for ensuring that their completed applications, including letters of reference, are received by the closing date. Only completed applications will be considered and only short-listed applicants will be contacted.

St. Thomas University encourages applications from all qualified candidates and is committed to the principles of equity, diversity, and inclusion, including employment equity for the following under-represented groups identified in the Canadian Employment Equity Act: women, aboriginal persons, members of visible minority groups and persons with disabilities.

St. Thomas University is situated on the traditional territory of the Wolastoqiyik, Wəlastəkewiyik / Maliseet whose ancestors along with the Mi'Kmaq / Mi'kmaw and Passamaquoddy / Peskotomuhkati Tribes / Nations signed Peace and Friendship Treaties with the British Crown in the 1700s.