University of Wisconsin-River Falls College of Arts and Sciences Department of Psychology

Assistant Professor of Social-Affective Neuroscience

The University of Wisconsin River Falls, a member of the University of Wisconsin System, is located in scenic west central Wisconsin, 30 miles from the multi-cultural, multi-ethnic cities of Minneapolis and St Paul. Year-round arts, cultural and recreational events are easily accessible from River Falls. UWRF's 6,100 undergraduate and graduate students pursue degrees in four colleges: Arts and Sciences, Education and Professional Studies; Agriculture, Food and Environmental Sciences; and Business and Economics.

The University provides an excellent environment for learning, emphasizing the importance of faculty-student interaction in classrooms, laboratories, academic advising, and co-curricular activities. A favorable student-faculty ratio affords opportunity for meaningful interchange between faculty and students. Strong interests in teaching, research and community service are highly valued. More information about UWRF can be found at: http://www.uwrf.edu/workhere/.

The Position:

Tenure-Track Assistant Professor of Social-Affective Neuroscience

The University of Wisconsin-River Falls Department of Psychology invites applications for an Assistant Professor of Social-Affective Neuroscience. This position will support both our Psychology Major and our Neuroscience Major. Principal responsibilities will include teaching courses in Introduction to Neuroscience, Physiological Psychology, and to develop courses in their specific areas of expertise. Preferred candidates will also be able to teach some combination of Research Methods, Behavioral Statistics, Social Psychology, and General Psychology. The position is a nine-month, full-time, tenure-track faculty position, with a teaching load of twelve credits per semester. Faculty are expected to advise students, provide service to the department and university, and engage undergraduate students in research. The appointment begins August, 2020. Compensation is based on qualifications, including education and experience.

Specific Duties and Responsibilities:

The successful candidate will be expected to

- Effectively teach courses in Introduction to Neuroscience, Physiological Psychology, and develop new courses in the candidate's area of expertise. Other courses will depend on departmental needs, which may include Research Methods, Behavioral Statistics, Social Psychology, and/or General Psychology
- Develop an active research program in social-affective neuroscience collaborating with undergraduate students
- Serve as academic advisor to undergraduate students
- Contribute through service to the department, college, university, and/or wider community

Qualifications Required:

- Doctorate in Neuroscience/Physiological Psychology or related field at the time of appointment
- Ability to teach courses in Introduction to Neuroscience, Physiological Psychology, and to develop courses that support our Neuroscience and Psychology majors in the candidate's specific areas of expertise
- Commitment to undergraduate teaching
- Commitment to collaborating with undergraduate students in research

Qualifications Preferred:

• Ability to teach courses in Research Methods, Behavioral Statistics, **Social Psychology** and General Psychology depending on departmental need

To Apply: Online applications are REQUIRED at: <u>https://jobs.uwrf.edu/</u>

A completed application will include:

- Your curriculum vitae (resume);
- A letter of interest specifying qualifications and experience (cover letter);
- A statement, not to exceed five pages, describing:
 - Your teaching interests, experience, and philosophy, including any evidence of successful teaching at the college level;
 - Your research and scholarly activity, including a summary of research experience and research plans appropriate for a predominantly undergraduate institution;
- Unofficial graduate and undergraduate transcripts (official copies of transcripts will be required if hired);
- Contact information (name, email, and phone number) for three references who can specifically comment on your teaching ability, experience, and professional preparation.

Inquiries should be addressed to: Dr. James Cortright Department of Psychology james.cortright@uwrf.edu

All materials must be submitted by October 1, 2019. Materials not submitted electronically cannot be considered. The names of all nominees and applicants who have not requested confidentiality in writing, and identities of all finalists must be released upon request. A criminal background check will be completed on final candidates.

The University of Wisconsin System will not reveal the identities of applicants who request confidentiality in writing, except that the identity of the successful candidate will be released. See Wis. Stat. sec. 19.36(7).

Through its strategic plan, Pathway to Distinction, UW-River Falls will vigorously pursue three goals: Distinctive Academic Excellence; Global Education and Engagement; Innovation and Partnerships. In support of our first goal, UW-River Falls strives to be a leader in collaborative and undergraduate research; we therefore seek faculty members who have an interest in or experience with faculty-student collaborative research, scholarship, and creative activity. The university is also interested in applicants who can support and extend our partnerships and initiatives in Asia (particularly China, Taiwan, Hong Kong, and India) and in Latin America. The university's strategic focus on international education encourages faculty to develop courses/pedagogy that facilitate the transition of international inbound students and out-bound UWRF students and enhance our curricular and programmatic partnerships in these regions.

UW-River Falls Diversity Statement: We declare that diversity and inclusivity are core values. We dedicate ourselves to build a culture grounded in principles of equity, social justice, and excellence. We fundamentally affirm and embrace the multiple identities, values, belief systems, and cultural practices of all individuals and communities. We will address fundamental issues of bias, discrimination, and exclusion.

The University is committed to creating an educational community which enhances student awareness and appreciation of diverse ethnicities and cultures and identities which actively supports tolerance, civility and respect for the rights and sensibilities of each person without regard to economic status, ethnic background, political views, sexual orientation, or other personal characteristics or beliefs. Awareness of and sensitivity to diverse ethnic and cultural heritages are especially sought in applicants.

UWRF is an equal opportunity, affirmative action employer subject to all state and federal regulations pertaining to non-discrimination based upon sex, gender identity or expression, sexual orientation, race, color, national origin, religion, disability, marital status, age, arrest and/or conviction record, veteran status, and membership in the national guard, state defense force, or any other reserve component of the military forces of the United States or the State of Wisconsin. All persons, especially women, persons of color, and people with disabilities are encouraged to apply. Employment is subject to federal laws that require verification of your identity and legal right to work in the United States as required by the Immigration Reform and Control Act.

For a copy of the UWRF campus safety information, see http://www.uwrf.edu/Police/CampusRecordsCrimes.cfm or call Public Safety at (715) 425-3133 for a paper copy. This material includes crime statistics (Annual Security Report) and information on crime prevention, sexual assault, and drug/alcohol issues.