

Moncrief Chair in Petroleum Geology Western State College of Colorado

POSITION: Western State College of Colorado invites applications for the tenure-track faculty position of Moncrief Chair in Petroleum Geology. The Moncrief Chair is made possible through an endowment by W. A. "Tex" Moncrief, Jr. of Fort Worth, Texas. Rank will be determined by experience. Teaching responsibilities include developing and teaching undergraduate courses in an expanded petroleum geology curriculum, as well as contributing to the geology core curriculum. The successful candidate will also work with the College and the existing Rady Chair in Petroleum Geology to recruit students into the petroleum geology program, to place students in professional jobs and internships, and to develop industry support for the program. The Moncrief Chair will also contribute to a newly established professional land and resource management curriculum in the Department of Business, Accounting, and Economics.

STARTING SALARY: Salary is commensurate with qualifications and rank. Annual salary for the 2009-2010 academic year is \$55,000-\$58,000. Benefits include an employee/employer shared contribution retirement plan and life and health insurance.

START DATE: January or August 2010.

QUALIFICATIONS: A doctorate in geology or related field is required. ABD will be considered for appointment, but the terminal degree is required for tenure. The ideal candidate should have significant experience in the oil and gas industry. A broad range of specializations will be considered, including reservoir characterization, unconventional resources, geophysics, and structural geology. Candidates must possess a strong commitment to undergraduate education as well as demonstrable teaching excellence and good communications skills.

APPLICATION: Send letter of application, curriculum vitae, statements of teaching and research philosophies, and transcripts, and have three letters of reference sent to:

Moncrief Chair Search Committee
Department of Natural and Environmental Sciences
Hurst Hall 128
Western State College of Colorado
Gunnison, Colorado 81231

Please direct questions to: Dr. Jim Coogan at (970) 943-3425; fax: (970) 943-7120; e-mail: jcoogan@western.edu.

Unofficial transcripts are acceptable during screening. Official transcripts are required prior to employment.

Screening of applications will begin September 8, 2009 and continue until the position is filled.

Western is a residential, four-year public undergraduate college with an enrollment of 2,400 students who come from across Colorado and all fifty states. Faculty members share a strong commitment to personalized undergraduate education with the liberal arts as its core. They are student-oriented, collegial, energetic, and engaged in the campus and community. The curriculum provides professional flexibility where experiential learning and interdisciplinary approaches are valued. The college is located in Gunnison, Colorado, a rural community 200 miles southwest of Denver. At an elevation of 7,700 feet in the southern Rocky Mountains, the Gunnison Valley provides significant year-round outdoor recreational opportunities. Employees have chosen Western because of the quality of life combined with rewarding careers. Visit <http://www.western.edu> to learn more about Western.

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