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## Senior Positions

### **Virginia Commonwealth University** **Dean, School of Government and Public Affairs**

Virginia Commonwealth University seeks a director for its school of government and public affairs and invites nominations and expressions of interest.

The Virginia Commonwealth University L. Douglas Wilder School of Government and Public Affairs, first organized in 2003, is an interdisciplinary school, bringing together faculty from multiple disciplines and applied fields with a shared interest in service and public affairs. The school offers programs spanning the undergraduate through the doctoral level, in addition to post-baccalaureate and certificate pro-

grams. Disciplines include criminal justice, political science, public policy and administration, urban and regional studies, sociology, and one of the first homeland security and emergency planning programs in the nation. Graduate programs include master's programs in criminal justice, public administration, sociology, urban and regional planning, and a Ph.D. program in public policy and administration. The school stands at the intersection between policy analysis and development, research, and service to public and private interests both in the region and nationwide. Its possibilities are extraordinary.

The director will provide vision and leadership for academic activities, scholarship, community engagement, and fund

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## Mission

The Association of Collegiate Schools of Planning (ACSP) is a consortium of university-based programs offering credentials in urban and regional planning. Acting together, the ACSP member school faculty are able to express their shared commitments to understanding the dynamics of urban and regional development, enhancing planning practices, and improving the education of both novice and experienced planners.

The ACSP promotes education, research, service, and outreach in the United States and throughout the world. It is committed to recognizing the diverse needs and interests in planning. It seeks to strengthen the role of planning education in colleges and universities through publications, conferences, and community engagement as well as through participation in the accreditation process. The ACSP believes that planning education should extend beyond the classroom and into the world of practice working closely with practicing professionals and communities.

## Update Schedule

Issue	Submission Deadline	Publication Date
Sept/Oct	September 1	September 30
Nov/Dec	November 1	November 30
Feb/March	February 1	February 28
May/June	May 1	May 30

## ACSP Conferences

**2010 ACSP 51st Annual Conference**  
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development for the school. The director will help to shape the future of the school by articulating a vision, defining standards of excellence, and identifying directions for new growth. He or she will advance research, education, and engagement in the government and public affairs arena - in Richmond, throughout the Commonwealth, and nationally. The director will nourish and build external partnerships, including engaging the expertise of the faculty to address government and community issues. As a matter of high priority, the director will secure financial support from a wide range of sources. Promoting excellence and diversity, the director will be responsible for student and faculty recruitment, development, and retention. He or she will manage the school's resources, academic programs, faculty, staff, students, facilities, and budget. The director, who reports to the dean of the VCU College of Humanities and Sciences, will work collaboratively with college and school leadership, including the school's advisory committee, to advance the mission and vision of Virginia Commonwealth University and the Wilder School. Ultimately, under the director's leadership the school will evolve to become a free-standing unit outside of the college.

The successful candidate will be a nationally recognized entrepreneurial leader able to infuse the Wilder School with a sense of common purpose and pride. Requirements include a record of distin-

guished research, teaching, and/or public service; substantial administrative experience, preferably at a research university; proven success in external fund development; and credentials that merit appointment at the rank of full professor in the school. Experience in addressing the social and economic issues in the widest variety of communities will be highly valued. Applicants with strong leadership experience and outstanding accomplishments in government and public affairs are also welcomed and will receive serious attention. This is an exceptional opportunity for an individual with the drive, skill, and experience to bring creative leadership to a distinguished organization and to play a critical role in shaping its future.

The search process is currently underway and will continue until the position is filled. Nominations are welcome. Confidential inquiries may be directed to the Witt/Kieffer consultants supporting this search: Mary Elizabeth Taylor, at (212) 686-2676 or Elizabeth K. Bohan at (630) 575-6161. To receive full consideration, please submit a letter of interest, curriculum vitae, and the names and contact information for five references (who will not be contacted without permission) to [VCUWilder@wittkieffer.com](mailto:VCUWilder@wittkieffer.com) by March 15, 2010.

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## Entry Level

### Occidental College One-Year Full Time Assistant Professor Urban and Environmental Policy

Occidental College invites applications for a one-year full time position at the Assistant Professor level for our Fall 2010 and Spring 2011 semesters in the Urban and Environmental Policy (UEP) Program.

For this position, we are seeking someone with expertise and teaching interests in the following areas:

- a. Environmental justice and the history of the environmental and environmental justice movements;
- b. Community-based research methods in planning and policy analysis
- c. Community development and community economic development with a focus on community organizing and leadership development.

We are particularly eager to find candidates who also have an interest in the link between these issues and equity issues.

Our new colleague would be expected to teach five courses over two semesters, including UEP 101 (Environment and Soci-

ety), our introductory-level course and at least two of the three courses listed above (history of environmental and environmental justice movements, community-based research methods, and community economic development). We would also be interested in candidate who is able to make linkages with our other courses, including (a) local and global public health; (b) food politics and policy; (c) urban policy and politics; and (d) our community organizing and internship course.

UEP is an interdisciplinary major that involves faculty in politics, sociology, economics, history, biology, geology, and other disciplines. We will consider candidates with training in a variety of disciplines, including urban planning, political science, sociology, environmental studies, public policy, economics, history, and law. Candidates with practical political/community/planning and organizing experience are strongly encouraged to apply. We encourage candidates who are familiar with Los Angeles and the community, environmental, labor, nonprofit, and faith-based organizations in the region.

Candidates should be immersed in the pedagogy of community based learning and able to expand the College's efforts to promote internships, community based learning in classes, and partnerships with public, private, and non profit organizations in Los Angeles, California, and Washington, D.C. The UEP program is closely linked with the Urban & Environmental

Policy Institute, through which students, faculty and staff engage in applied research and community engagement. (<http://www.uepi.oxy.edu>)

Applicants should submit a letter of interest demonstrating a commitment to academic excellence in a diverse liberal arts environment, and including a statement of teaching philosophy, areas of teaching interest, examples of relevant coursework; a curriculum vitae; samples of scholarly or creative work; and two letters of recommendation to:

Professor Peter Dreier  
Urban & Environmental Policy Program  
Occidental College  
1600 Campus Road (M-1)  
Los Angeles, CA 90041

All materials are due by April 1, 2010. Please note in your resume that you are interested in the 1-year appointment. (We will also have 3-year position available beginning in Fall 2011, which we will begin recruiting for at the end of 2010).

*Occidental College is an affirmative action, equal opportunity employer. The College is committed to academic excellence in a diverse community and supporting interdisciplinary and multicultural academic programs that provide a gifted and diverse group of students with an educational experience that prepares them for leadership in a pluralistic world. Women and people of color are strongly encouraged to apply.*

# University of Massachusetts, Amherst

## Assistant Professor Cultural Heritage Studies

The focus of the position is on cultural heritage planning, design and management. Candidates with a specialization in community-based design, planning, and economic development are encouraged to apply. Teaching responsibilities will be at the undergraduate and graduate levels with potential courses including: planning and design studio, cultural resource management, research seminar(s) and study abroad courses. The candidate will be expected to collaborate with the newly established Center for Heritage and Society (<http://www.umass.edu/chs/index.html>) and help it re-envision the role of faculty and students in the arena of global and domestic heritage. Outreach will include working with the Center to serve local, national, and international communities and organizations that engage in heritage work. The candidate is expected to develop a funded research program dealing with planning, design, and management of cultural heritage landscapes and/or communities.

### Qualifications

A Masters of Landscape Architecture (MLA), Urban, City or Regional Planning (MUP, MCP, or MRP) or a closely related field in cultural studies. Preferred quali-

fications include: a doctoral degree in a landscape architecture, planning or a closely related field; a demonstrated capacity for teaching; professional registration and/or significant professional experience; a demonstrated capacity for scholarly research; demonstrated ability to attain external funding to support research.

### Salary

Competitive and commensurate with experience.

### The Setting

The Department of Landscape Architecture and Regional Planning is one of the few programs where planning and design are in the same academic department, and enjoys a national and international reputation with a focus on sustainability. The Department has accredited programs in Landscape Architecture (MLA, BSLA), and Regional Planning (MRP). We also offer a PhD in Regional Planning, a B.S. in Environmental Design and an Associates degree in Landscape Contracting. The Department of Landscape Architecture and Regional Planning is located in the College of Social and Behavioral Sciences. The University of Massachusetts Amherst is the flagship campus of the University of Massachusetts system and is part of the Five-College Consortium in the beautiful Pioneer Valley of Western Massachusetts, with excellent social, cultural, and recreational amenities.

We are two hours from Boston and three hours from New York City.

### To Apply

Please send a letter of interest including your research and teaching interests and experience, a comprehensive curriculum vitae, selected samples of publications and the contact information for three references (including name, title, address, telephone number and email) to:

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