Assistant or Associate Professor, SENR

The School of Environment and Natural Resources at The Ohio State University invites applications for an Assistant or Associate Professor whose scholarly interests focus on the psychology of environmental decisions. The ideal candidate has core theoretical interests related to pro-social behavior, human well-being and/or behavioral change, and demonstrated interest in and ability to work as part of an interdisciplinary research team. The successful candidate will be expected to develop or have developed an extramurally-funded and internationally-recognized research program with strong theoretical and methodological grounding, provide graduate advising and instruction, contribute to undergraduate instruction and advising primarily in the Environmental Policy & Decision Making program, and provide professional and university service. This position is a full-time, 9-month, tenure-track position with research and teaching expectations.

The School of Environment and Natural Resources is an interdisciplinary academic unit dedicated to the use and management of natural resources in an economically efficient, environmentally compatible, and socially responsible manner. Faculty in SENR within the Environmental Social Sciences graduate specialization investigate environmental problems from such perspectives as psychology, political science, public policy, and sociology, and work collaboratively on cross-cutting research initiatives through the Environmental and Social Sustainability Lab. Our faculty publish broadly in both disciplinary journals and diverse, environmentally focused outlets, and are rewarded for working on interdisciplinary teams in applied contexts. Additionally, our faculty can hold courtesy appointments in complementary units on campus (e.g., The School of Communication, Department of Psychology). Depending on the candidate’s areas of expertise, a joint appointment between the School of Environment and Natural Resources and a relevant disciplinary unit on campus is possible.

This position is partially funded by Ohio State’s Discovery Themes Initiative, a significant faculty hiring investment in key thematic areas in which the university can build on its culture of academic collaboration to make a global impact. The successful candidate will join a highly collaborative interdisciplinary community of scholars in the Sustainable and Resilient Economy (SRE) program including faculty from Social and Behavioral Sciences, Environmental Sciences, Business, Engineering and Public Policy. The SRE program seeks to advance sustainability science by developing a more holistic understanding of sustainable and resilient production and consumption systems, human-environment interactions, and innovations in sustainable technologies and governance. Successful applicants will be expected to participate in or lead collaborative teams and interdisciplinary research on sustainability and resilience topics.

**Qualifications:**

Required qualifications include an earned doctoral degree in psychology, communication or an interdisciplinary environmental or natural resources related program with a focus in these areas; a research and publication record focused on the environment and behavior; expertise in quantitative methods and analysis; and demonstrated interest in working in interdisciplinary research teams. Preferred qualifications include faculty level experience; and a record of scholarship, or interest in developing a body of work related to resolving intertemporal tradeoffs in environmental decisions (e.g., affective forecasting to increase the weight placed on future
outcomes) and/or incorporating behavioral models into coupled systems assessments of technology and/or policy impacts on sustainability (e.g. predicting boomerang effects and spillover in relation to adoption). Teaching and advising experience, and experience with research, teaching or mentoring programs focused on members of underrepresented groups is also preferred but not required.

Salary/Support: Salary is dependent on qualifications and experience. The Ohio State University offers one of the most comprehensive benefits packages in the nation, which includes medical, dental, vision, and life insurance; tuition authorization; paid vacation and sick leave; ten paid holidays; and State Teachers Retirement System of Ohio (STRS) or an Alternative Retirement Program. A start-up package, including discretionary funding, will be provided.

Send a curriculum vita and a letter of interest summarizing your qualifications, areas of expertise, research interests, teaching philosophy, and career goals. Please include a statement addressing how you match our required and/or preferred qualifications. Also include in the application packet digital copies of or links to three relevant publications. Provide contact information for three qualified references but do not have letters of recommendation sent until we request that you do so. Application materials (with the exception of letters of recommendation, which will be requested later) should be sent in a single PDF file as an email attachment to Dr. Robyn Wilson, Associate Professor and Search Committee Chair at ENRfacultySearchEnvPsych@osu.edu. Initial consideration will be given to applications received by February 29, 2016. Review of applications will continue until the position has been filled.

Commitment to Diversity and Inclusion: The Ohio State University is committed to establishing a culturally and intellectually diverse environment, and encouraging all members of our learning community to reach their full potential. We are responsive to dual-career families and strongly promote work-life balance to support our community members through a suite of institutionalized policies. We are an NSF Advance Institution and a member of the Ohio/Western Pennsylvania/West Virginia Higher Education Recruitment Consortium. The Ohio State University is an equal opportunity/affirmative action employer. Qualified women, minorities, Vietnam-era veterans, disabled veterans, and individuals with disabilities are encouraged to apply.