

## **Social Context of Technology and Science**

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James Madison University's Department of Integrated Science and Technology (ISAT) invites applications for a tenure-track position focusing on the social context of technology and science. We seek a colleague who is interested in joining an innovative, interdisciplinary technology and science program organized around real-world problem areas. With over 300 majors, the BS-ISAT program in the ISAT Department inculcates in its students strong problem-solving skills through a curriculum that integrates concepts from technical fields, natural science, and social science/humanities in areas including but not limited to biotechnology, energy, environment, computing, manufacturing, and telecommunications. ISAT emphasizes problem-centric thinking and an ability to understand and address complex problems from technical and social perspectives. Further information about the ISAT Department may be found at <http://www.isat.jmu.edu>.

The successful candidate will be able to teach courses in the social context of technology and science, contribute to team-taught courses, and advise capstone projects. The social context curriculum is an integral part of the ISAT Department focusing on the political economy of technology and science, as well as ethics and science, technology, and society issues. We seek a thoughtful and intellectually adventurous colleague with an interdisciplinary mindset and the ability to collaborate with technically focused colleagues in developing and teaching innovative courses. It is anticipated that the successful candidate would be able to contribute to other areas of the BS-ISAT program or the ISAT Department. Applicants' disciplinary backgrounds might include, but are not limited to, political science, public policy and public administration, history, sociology, anthropology, economics, philosophy or geography. Candidates with terminal degrees in technology or the sciences and extensive experience in the social context of technology and science are also strongly encouraged to apply. Those who bring new and diverse perspectives are particularly encouraged to apply, as are those with industry or government experience. Candidates should demonstrate a capacity for scholarly production and exhibit strong communication skills. A terminal degree is strongly preferred.

Candidates should submit a letter of application, curriculum vita, three or more references and a statement of interdisciplinary outlook and experiences. For more information and to apply for this position, please go to <https://joblink.jmu.edu> and reference posting number 0405659. Review of applications will begin on December 12, 2013 and will continue until the position is filled.

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