The University of Central Florida (UCF) is in a hiring campaign to recruit 200 new faculty for Fall 2015. UCF seeks to strengthen its research mission and academic offerings in the broad interdisciplinary area of Geospatial Analysis. In support of this effort, the College of Sciences has established **three** tenure-earning assistant professor positions expected to begin in fall 2015. Ideal candidates will have a strong background in the application of GIS and other geospatial analytical approaches to address questions in their research area, a desire to collectively build curricula centered on geospatial science, and a passion for integrating multiple disciplines to confront challenges facing society.

Minimum qualifications include a Ph.D. from an accredited institution by the time of hire in a suitable field, a research record that demonstrates expertise in the use of geospatial analysis methods, and research and teaching interests that complement and expand existing departmental strengths. We seek candidates with the potential to develop high-quality, extramurally-funded research programs appropriate for a Carnegie very high research activity university and to help develop both undergraduate and graduate certificate programs in GIScience/Geospatial Analysis. Experience and commitment to collaborative, interdisciplinary research is highly desirable.

Examples of research areas include (but are not limited to) conservation and sustainability, coupled human-natural systems, criminology, cultural/demographic/economic/political/social behavior and dynamics, environmental/social justice/health politics and policy, global change, human/natural disasters, landscape archaeology, national security, and urban studies and policy.

UCF is committed to the development of new hires in interdisciplinary clusters. Faculty will be expected to strengthen both their tenure home department (Anthropology, **Biology**, Political Science, or Sociology) as well as the geospatial cluster. It is expected that there will be both individual and interdisciplinary infrastructure and startup associated with these three new positions. Each new faculty member will have a unique interdisciplinary mentoring team to foster intellectual breadth and to facilitate integrative capacity to strengthen the success of the cluster.

Candidates must apply online at <u>http://www.jobswithucf.com</u>/postings/40000 (Position #37456) and attach the following materials: a cover letter, curriculum vitae, and contact information for three professional references. In the cover letter candidates should address their background in geospatial analysis, current and planned future research directions, and GIScience courses that they could develop and teach, and should identify the department(s) for their potential tenure home.

The search committee will begin reviewing applications December 1, 2014 and continue to accept applications until January 1, 2015.

The University of Central Florida is an Equal Opportunity and Affirmative Action employer. All applicants are encouraged to apply, including minorities, women, veterans, and individuals with disabilities.

For more information about these positions please contact the Geospatial Cluster Search Chair, Dr. Cynthia Young, Associate Dean in the College of Sciences at <u>Cynthia.Young@ucf.edu</u>.