The Department of Sociology at the University of Tennessee-Knoxville invites applications for one tenure-track position at the Assistant Professor level in the area of the environment, beginning August 1, 2016. Preference will be given to candidates with experience in applied social science research on socio-environmental factors impacting communities in the United States. Teaching interests and collaboration with others in promoting community resilience; renewable energy, alternative agriculture and food systems, green economic development and technology, and other projects related to the human dimensions of ecosystem management and environmental policy would also be welcomed.

Our environmental faculty collaborates on educational and research projects with variety of departments and groups within the university (e.g., Offices of Sustainability, the Institute for a Secure and Sustainable Environment, the Sustainable Studies Working Group, the Water Resource Research Center, the Center for the Study of Social Justice, the Human Dimensions Research Lab, the College of Agriculture and Natural Resources, Forestry, Wildlife and Fisheries, Environmental and Global Studies and Geography). The Department helped to establish environmental sociology within the discipline and we are looking for a scholar who will add to its reputation as a leader in this field. We are particularly interested in candidates who can contribute to our strength in social justice and whose research resonates with our other programs in political economy, globalization and criminology. The Department has a strong international reputation for excellence, has a vibrant intellectual culture, and is undergoing a period of expansion. Applicants must demonstrate promise of distinguished scholarship and excellent teaching, as well as experience or strong commitment in seeking external funding. Situated near the Smoky Mountains, our department offers a supportive and collegial atmosphere in which scholars make a variety of important contributions to the world. The Ph.D. in Sociology or a related discipline is required at the time of appointment. The Knoxville campus of the University of Tennessee is seeking candidates who have the ability to contribute in meaningful ways to the diversity and intercultural goals of the University. Review of applications will begin October 12, 2015 and continue until the position is filled. Please send a letter of application, CV, three letters of reference, two samples of writing, and a teaching statement to the Chair of the Search Committee, Dr. Robert Emmet Jones (via email to: nloftis@utk.edu). For more information on the department, please see our website. (http://sociology.utk.edu).

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