

Vacancy for a permanent scientist in the field of Plant Biology

Start date: 1 October 2021

Job description:

A position of first full-time assistant, in the field of Plant Biology, within the Department of Life Sciences.

Activities:

Teaching

Teaching duties will represent a load of approximately 150 hours per year and will include teaching students in the Faculty of Sciences - Bachelor of Biological Sciences (BA-Bio), Masters in Biochemistry, Molecular and Cellular Biology (M-BBMC), Masters in Bioinformatics and Modelling (M-BIM), Masters in Biology of Organisms and Ecology (M-BOE) - and to pro-merit students (e.g., Bachelors of Veterinary Sciences).

Priority tasks

- Contribute to the supervision of practical work and the organisation of various courses in Plant Biology given by teachers in the Department of Life Sciences;
- Contribute to the supervision of practical work managed by the "Biology collective within the Bachelor's programme";
- Contributing to cross-cutting courses related to scientific communication (e.g., STRA0044-1, Block 3, BA-Bio, option BBMC).

Research

The research activities of the First Assistant will be oriented towards the disciplines contributing to Plant Molecular Biology, namely Plant Physiology, Genetics, Genomics and Bioinformatics. Research will focus on the study of the response of model plant organisms to their abiotic environment, by addressing agronomic and/or environmental issues.

The successful applicant will be expected to contribute towards searching for funding to support their project(s) and to develop an international network of collaboration.

Service to the community

In addition to the standard contribution made by a permanent scientist to the smooth running of the Institution, the scientist should contribute towards improving the attractiveness of the M-BBMC and M-BIM organised by the Department of Life Sciences, in particular through the implementation of modern communication around teaching and research developed within the research units associated with the Department of Life Sciences.

Qualifications required / profile:

- Must hold a PhD in Science (Plant Biology);
- Must be able to demonstrate international experience in the above-mentioned research field (scientific publications, participation in international congresses);
- Must be able to demonstrate teaching qualities and skills in written and oral communication (In French and English) and digital communication.

A long-term post-doctoral research stay abroad is a major asset.

Selection procedure:

The selection procedure will be in accordance with the regulations applied within the University of Liège.

Applications:

Applicants are requested to submit their applications electronically, to the following address: Postesscientifiques@uliege.be and doyen.sciences@uliege.be with a copy to francoise.motte@uliege.be no later than **15 March 2021**.

How to apply - required documents:

- ✓ Applications should be submitted (with a cover letter), accompanied by a complete curriculum vitae (see the procedures on the website of the Faculty of Sciences at: <https://www.sciences.uliege.be/emploi-sciences>)
- ✓ A report on past and current research activities (4 pages maximum) and a research plan (4 pages maximum), including how it is envisaged that this will integrate within the University of Liège;
- ✓ A teaching file (4 pages maximum) including a report on any previous teaching activities and past experiences in modern scientific communication, in particular digital communication, as well as an outline of a teaching vision;
- ✓ A copy of publications.

Conditions of recruitment:

Positions are awarded either on a permanent basis from the outset or following a positive evaluation at the end of a term of office or a fixed-term contract of up to four years.

Our institutional policy is based on diversity and equal opportunities. We select candidates on the basis of their qualities regardless of age, sexual orientation, origin, beliefs, disability or nationality.

Conditions for permanent appointment:

Positions are awarded either on a permanent basis from the outset or following a positive evaluation at the end of a term of office or a fixed-term contract of up to four years.

If the successful candidate is well known to the Institution and has demonstrated their teaching qualities, the Committee may, if it so wishes and with the necessary explanation, judge the appropriateness of, from the outset, offering the successful applicant the confirmed post as First Assistant at Category A on a permanent basis.

Information:

Further information can be obtained from Ms Françoise Motte - tel: +32 4 366 36 52 – francoise.motte@uliege.be

Salary:

Salary scales and how they are applied are available from the human resources department of the University: Ms Ludivine Depas – tel.: +32 4 366 52 04 – Ludivine.Depas@uliege.be