Assistant or Associate Professor in Learning Sciences

The School of Education and Social Policy invites applications for a tenure-track position at the Assistant or Associate Professor level in Learning Sciences. We seek a scholar who studies cognition, learning, and literacies as complex cultural and social phenomena, and who can contribute to Northwestern’s strengths in developing ecological perspectives on learning. Ecological perspectives stress the importance of concepts like culture, social organization, distribution, and identity to what and how people learn, and attend to the multiple contexts that enable and constrain learning. Contexts may include but are not limited to schools, homes, play, museums, online, community organizations, and workplaces. Areas of methodological expertise may include but are not limited to ethnography, microanalysis of social and material interactions, and participatory design research. We especially invite scholars with expertise and interest in the development of multiple literacies and who substantively engage with issues of equity and diversity.

Candidates should be qualified to teach a range of undergraduate and graduate classes in our required curriculum sequence. Suggested qualifications: Earned doctorate in Learning Sciences, Education, Psychology, Sociology, Anthropology, or any related discipline and evidence of strong scholarly potential or productivity. Teaching and advising responsibilities will include doctoral students in the Learning Sciences program, as well as masters’ or undergraduate courses.

Applicants should submit electronically a letter outlining their research program and teaching experience, a current CV, representative reprints, and three letters of reference, to Professor Reed Stevens, Search Committee Chair, c/o Laura Salus at l-salus@northwestern.edu by October 30, 2017. Applicants are encouraged to submit their materials by that date for full consideration.

Minorities and women are strongly urged to apply. Northwestern University is an Equal Opportunity, Affirmative Action Employer of all protected classes including veterans and individuals with disabilities. Hiring is contingent upon eligibility to work in the United States. Northwestern University is located in an attractive lakefront community adjacent to Chicago. For more information about the School of Education and Social Policy, go to http://www.sesp.northwestern.edu/.