Tenure-track Faculty Position in Paleontology, Department of Earth Sciences, Memorial University of Newfoundland

The Department of Earth Sciences at Memorial University of Newfoundland invites applications for a full-time, tenure-track position in paleontology at the Assistant or Associate Professor level beginning as early as September 1, 2021. The successful candidate will have a PhD in Earth Sciences or a related discipline, a record of peer-reviewed publications related to paleontology or geobiology, and the capacity to develop and lead an externally funded, field- and/or laboratory-based research program with undergraduate and graduate students. The Department seeks candidates with the ability to deliver high-quality instruction of introductory and advanced paleontology courses and potential to contribute and add new pedagogical strength to the undergraduate and graduate program.

Applications should be received by April 15, 2021. Candidates will electronically submit a letter of application with the names and contact information (including email) of three referees, current curriculum vitae, and research and teaching statements to Dr. Gregory Dunning, Head, Department of Earth Sciences (earthscihead@mun.ca). Please quote the reference number VPA # F03951-2020-36 in the application and email subject line. The Department is committed to developing and establishing diversity, equity, and inclusion best practices and encourages applications from underrepresented groups. We therefore request that the research and/or teaching statements indicate the candidate’s abilities and strategies for fostering diversity, equity, and inclusion in the earth sciences. Candidates are invited to explain any gaps in career or research history that may exist for any number of reasons (e.g. family responsibilities, sick leave, settlement) as these will be taken into consideration in the application process. We encourage informal inquiries about this position, our department, and the broader community. These may be initially addressed to committee chair Luke Beranek (lberanek@mun.ca) or Department Head who can help put you in touch with others in our community.

The Department of Earth Sciences (www.mun.ca/earthsciences/) is one of the largest in Canada. With over 20 faculty members, including Canada Research Chairs in Marine Geology and Boreal Biogeochemistry, over 15 staff members, and leading-edge teaching and research facilities, the Department is able to offer high quality undergraduate and graduate degree programs. The Department participates in Memorial’s interdisciplinary graduate program in Environmental Science (https://www.mun.ca/science/graduate/interdisciplinary/envs/) and has strong collegial ties with departments of Biology, Geography and Archaeology via collaborations, shared facilities and co-supervision of students. The successful candidate will also have access to modern analytical facilities within Memorial University’s CREAT network (www.mun.ca/research/resources/creait/physical-sci/). Other research and teaching resources available at Memorial University include the Ocean Sciences Centre, Fisheries and Marine Institute, Bonne Bay Marine Station in Gros Morne National Park, Labrador Institute, and the Harlow Campus outside London, United Kingdom.
Memorial University of Newfoundland is the largest university in Atlantic Canada. As the province’s only university, Memorial plays an integral role in the educational and cultural life of Newfoundland and Labrador. Offering diverse undergraduate and graduate programs to over 18,000 students, Memorial provides a distinctive and stimulating environment for learning in St. John’s, a safe, friendly city with great historic charm, a vibrant cultural life, and easy access to a wide range of outdoor activities (http://www.newfoundlandlabrador.com/PlacesToGo/StJohns).

All qualified candidates are encouraged to apply; however, Canadians and permanent residents will be given priority. Memorial University is committed to employment equity and diversity and encourages applications from all qualified candidates, including women; people of any sexual orientation, gender identity, or gender expression; Indigenous peoples; visible minorities, and racialized people; and people with disabilities. As part of Memorial University’s commitment to employment equity, all applicants are invited to identify themselves as a member of a target group(s) as appropriate. Applicants cannot be considered as a member of a target group(s) unless they complete an employment equity survey. If you do not receive a survey or have any questions, please contact equity@mun.ca. Memorial is also committed to providing an inclusive learning and work environment. If there is anything we can do to ensure your full participation during the application process please contact equity@mun.ca directly and we will work with you to make appropriate arrangements. This position is subject to budgetary approval.

We acknowledge that the lands on which Memorial University’s campuses are situated are in the traditional territories of diverse Indigenous groups, and we acknowledge with respect the histories and cultures of the Beothuk, Mi’kmaq, Innu and Inuit of this province.