Assistant Professor of Astronomy

Submission Information

- **Publish Date:** Thursday, September 1, 2011
- **Weeks to Run:** 8 Weeks (About 2 months)
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Job Summary

- **Job Category:** Faculty Positions (tenure and tenure-track)
- **Institution Classification/Type:** Large Academic
- **Institution/Company:** University of Maryland
- **City:** College Park
- **State/Province:** MD
- **Country:** unknown

Announcement

**Job Announcement Text:**

The Department of Astronomy at the University of Maryland College Park invites applications for a tenure-track faculty position. Outstanding candidates in any area of astronomy, astrophysics, and planetary science will be considered. A PhD in physics, astronomy or a related discipline is required, and the successful candidate must have an established record of research excellence. As the duties of this position include undergraduate and graduate teaching, a potential for teaching excellence is necessary. We are searching for candidates at the Assistant Professor (tenure track) level, but will consider applications for a more senior (tenured) rank in exceptional cases.

The current activities within the Department include: mm/radio astronomy (including a leading role in CARMA), high-energy astrophysics, cosmology and galaxy evolution, theoretical/computational astrophysics, and planetary science (including the leading role in the Deep Impact and Comet Hopper projects). The Department has close ties with the UMD-Physics Department and NASA-Goddard (formalized through the recently created Joint Space Science Institute), as well as the UMD-Geology Department. The Astronomy Department has also recently begun a joint-PhD program with Pontificia Universidad Católica in Chile. Finally, starting in 2012, the Department has guaranteed access to the 4.3-meter Discovery Channel Telescope via a newly established partnership with Lowell Observatory.

TO APPLY: Applications must be submitted through [https://jobs.umd.edu/](https://jobs.umd.edu/) (position number 104925). A complete application must include a CV, a statement of research interests and plans, a statement of teaching philosophy, and three letters of reference. For full consideration, all application materials must be received by 1st November 2011. NOTE: Requests for letters of reference are generated automatically upon completion of the online application; thus candidates are advised to apply promptly in order to permit their referees sufficient time to submit letters prior to the deadline. Any queries concerning this position can be directed to the chair of the search committee, Prof. Chris Reynolds (chris@astro.umd.edu).

The University of Maryland is an Equal Employment Opportunity and Affirmative Action Employer. Women and minority candidates are encouraged to apply.

**Included Benefits:**

The University of Maryland's benefits package can be reviewed at [http://www.uhr.umd.edu/employment/benefits_summary.cfm](http://www.uhr.umd.edu/employment/benefits_summary.cfm).

**Related URLs:**

- University of Maryland job application site (required)
- Department of Astronomy research pages
- Department of Astronomy home page

**Application Deadline:** Tuesday, November 1, 2011

**Current Status of Position:** No Status Given (Opted Out)
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