ASSISTANT PROFESSOR POSITION UNIVERSITY OF NEBRASKA-LINCOLN (UNL) SCHOOL OF BIOLOGICAL SCIENCES

The School of Biological Sciences continues to expand its faculty and invites nominations and applications for a tenure-track, Assistant Professor Position in **Biology with Emphasis on Discipline-Based Education Research**.

The University of Nebraska-Lincoln is making a major commitment to enhancing science education in the area of life sciences. For this academic-year position (50% research, 40% teaching, 10% service) we seek an individual who conducts research into how students learn science, how inquiry-based learning and other pedagogical practices enhance learning, and/or how such practices can be effectively assessed. The School of Biological Sciences currently has close to 700 undergraduate majors, the majority of which are pre-health students, and these numbers are expected to continue to grow. This hire will contribute to our undergraduate teaching mission, which includes developing and teaching UNL's new core curriculum in life sciences. The successful candidate is expected to develop strong collaborations within and outside of the School, and in so doing contribute significantly to UNL's Life Sciences Initiative. This hire will be joining a group of DBER faculty already present on campus (e.g., in geocognition, physics, and chemistry), and there are plans for more hires of this kind in the future. A PhD (or equivalent) and experience in life science and/or life science education is required.

This position is part of the strategic plans of UNL, the College of Arts and Sciences and the School of Biological Sciences directed to strengthen the life sciences. It is expected that the successful candidates will establish nationally recognized and extramurally funded research programs and contribute to the undergraduate and graduate teaching missions of the School of Biological Sciences. Lincoln Nebraska boasts an outstanding quality of life that includes a vibrant downtown with lively music and art scene and a collection of over 120 parks and 130 miles of bike trails, plus a low cost of living.

To learn more about the University of Nebraska and the School of Biological Sciences, visit <u>http://biosci.unl.edu</u>. Applicants should go to http://employment.unl.edu, search for requisition #120888 complete the Faculty Academic/Administrative Information form, attach a letter of application, Curriculum Vitae, a statement of research plans, a statement of teaching interests, and include the names and contact information for three references. Questions regarding the application process may be sent to <u>biologysearch@unl.edu</u>. Review of applications will begin on December 1, 2012 and continue until the position is filled or the search is closed. The University of Nebraska has an active National Science Foundation ADVANCE gender equity program, and is committed to a pluralistic campus community through affirmative action, equal opportunity, work-life balance, and dual careers.