As part of a university-wide cluster hire in the area of “building sustainable communities,” the Department of Anthropology is seeking applications for a tenure track, assistant or associate professor position (with the possibility of tenure at the time of appointment) focused on community-based development and sustainability. Potential areas of interest would include how local communities are affected by, and respond to, new socio-economic and infrastructure changes, as well as how local communities resist forces threatening environmental and social sustainability both within and outside their community.

The successful candidate will add to the Anthropology Department's strategic initiative on addressing human global challenges. The candidate will complement one or more of the department’s four focus areas: identity and diversity; development, economy, and politics; ecology, health and well-being; or science and technology. Geographic area open. The successful candidate will be expected to teach graduate and undergraduate courses in their areas of specialization, such as environmental justice or political ecology, as well as core anthropology courses. A Ph.D. in Anthropology, Environmental Studies, or a related discipline is required. Joint or courtesy appointments are possible in other academic units participating in the cluster hire, including Communication, Philosophy, Political Science, and Engineering.

The successful candidate will have a demonstrated potential to play a vital role in Purdue’s new “building sustainable communities” initiative dedicated to finding new approaches to addressing major environmental and sustainability challenges. Purdue’s Center for the Environment will serve as the interdisciplinary hub for this research community. Purdue also hosts several interdisciplinary undergraduate and graduate programs focused on sustainability, including undergraduate degrees in environmental and ecological engineering and natural resources and environmental science, as well as a graduate program in Ecological Sciences and Engineering. The successful candidate will be expected to participate in and contribute to these programs as well. More information on the cluster hire is available at [www.purdue.edu/sustainablecommunities](http://www.purdue.edu/sustainablecommunities). An ability to link with programs in the College of Liberal Arts School of Interdisciplinary Studies is also welcome (see [http://www.cla.purdue.edu/idis/idis/](http://www.cla.purdue.edu/idis/idis/)).

Application materials should be submitted electronically as .pdf attachments to Brenda Gunion (gunion@purdue.edu). Applications should include curriculum vitae, the names and contact information of three references, and a cover letter that includes a description of the applicant’s commitment to and experience with interdisciplinary research and teaching relevant to the cluster. Samples of written work and instructional materials such as syllabi and course evaluations may be requested at a later date. Review of applications will begin November 14, 2014, and the position will remain open until filled. Questions should be addressed to search committee co-chairs Dr. Evelyn Blackwood (blackwood@purdue.edu) or Dr. Laura Zanotti (lzanotti@purdue.edu). A background check will be required for employment in this position. Purdue University is an EEO/AA employer fully committed to achieving a diverse workforce. All individuals, including minorities, women, individuals with disabilities, and protected veterans are encouraged to apply.