



Faculty Position Available in
Social, Political, and Ethical Dimensions of Technology in Development
Department of Global Development
College of Agriculture and Life Sciences, Cornell University

Position: Assistant Professor, Tenure-track.

Location: Ithaca, NY. The academic home for this position is the Department of Global Development in the College of Agriculture and Life Sciences, housed on the Ithaca campus of Cornell University.

The Department of Global Development invites applicants for an Assistant Professor in the area of technology and development. Given the centrality of technology in development efforts and the uneven social and environmental impacts of technological interventions, it is vital to examine technologies through a lens of justice-centered ethics. We seek candidates who share our strong commitment to innovative research, teaching and mentoring, and whose work addresses the ethical implications and power dynamics of technology and technological change and how these contribute to different social and environmental outcomes. The responsibilities of this position are 50% research and 50% teaching, and the successful candidate will be expected to develop an internationally recognized and externally funded research program. Teaching responsibilities will consist of 2.5 courses per academic year (2 courses one year; 3 the next), with a combination of courses at undergraduate and graduate levels, including an introductory undergraduate course addressing ethics in social and economic development.

The successful candidate will embrace being a member of a multi-disciplinary department and be interested in establishing links across the social sciences, humanities, natural sciences, and engineering where appropriate. They will join a department that is dedicated to tackling the world's most pressing and complex challenges and looks to integrate critical research and practical expertise spanning agricultural, environmental, life, and social sciences, to advance a more equitable, sustainable, and food-secure world for all. Global Development works closely with diverse networks of local and global partners to foster transformational change through impactful education and research, building a dynamic and inclusive academic environment to foster future development practitioners and leaders who can drive transformational change across scales from the local to New York State, national, or global. For more information, please visit:

<https://cals.cornell.edu/global-development>.

Required qualifications: Candidates must have a PhD in the social sciences, humanities, or a related discipline. Their work should clearly address questions of ethics and technology in development.

Preferred qualifications include demonstrated excellence in teaching and a commitment to engagement with marginalized communities. We welcome candidates who come from the Global South or other backgrounds that are historically under-represented in the academy.

To be considered for these positions, please apply at <https://academicjobsonline.org/ajo/jobs/26353>. Applicants are encouraged to apply by January 1, 2024. The search will continue until the position has been filled.

The following materials are **required**:

1. A Cover letter that includes the candidate's specific interest in joining the Department of Global Development.
2. A Curriculum vita.
3. Two research papers or chapters.
4. Names and emails of three references (letters of reference will be requested if the applicant is called for interview).
5. A [statement supporting diverse communities](#). This can be a stand-alone document (preferred) or the information can be embedded in other parts of the application materials outlining how, through research, teaching, service, mentoring, extension, and/or outreach, the candidate has and will contribute to support Cornell's historical mission of "any person ... any study."
6. A statement describing the contributions of the applicant's research thus far and planned research program for the coming 5 years.
7. A statement on the applicant's approach to teaching and advising, including, if possible, concrete examples of their practices for effective teaching.

The following materials are **optional**:

1. Evidence of teaching effectiveness, such as a course syllabus, sample lecture or assignment materials, and summary of student evaluations.

Inquiries may be directed to:

Search chair: John Zinda

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The start date for the successful candidate will be July 1, 2024, or as negotiated.

CALS hiring range for position:

Assistant Professor: \$79,400 - \$135,000

The College of Agriculture and Life Sciences is a pioneer of purpose-driven science and home to Cornell University's second largest population of students, faculty, and staff. We work across disciplines to tackle the challenges of our time through world-renowned research, education, and outreach. The questions we probe and the answers we seek focus on three overlapping concerns: natural and human systems; food, energy, and environmental resources; and social, physical, and economic well-being.

Diversity and Inclusion are a part of Cornell University's heritage. We are a recognized employer and educator valuing AA/EEO, and we do not tolerate discrimination based on any protected characteristic, including race, ethnic or national origin, citizenship and immigration status, color, sex/gender, pregnancy or pregnancy-related conditions, age, creed, religion, actual or perceived disability (including persons associated with such a person), arrest and/or conviction record, military or veteran status, sexual orientation, gender expression and/or identity, an individual's genetic information, domestic violence victim status, familial status, marital status, or any other characteristic protected by applicable federal, state, or local law. We also recognize a lawful preference in employment practices for Native Americans living on or near Indian reservations in accordance with applicable law.

Cornell University embraces diversity and seeks candidates who will contribute to a climate that supports students, faculty, and staff to all identities and backgrounds. We strongly encourage individuals from underrepresented and/or marginalized identities to apply.

Cornell University offers a competitive salary and benefits package. Salary is commensurate with experience. Support for start-up costs will be available. Cornell actively seeks to meet the needs of dual-career couples with its Dual Career program and is a member of the [Higher Education Recruitment Consortium](#), that assists with dual career searches. Cornell and Ithaca are family-friendly communities: Cornell offers a rich array of services, programs, and benefits to help employees advance in their career and enhance the quality of personal life, including employee wellness, workshops, childcare and adoption assistance, parental leave, and flexible work options. For more details, see: Family Life Resources for Faculty.

Cornell University is an innovative Ivy League university and a great place to work. Our inclusive community of scholars, students, and staff impart an uncommon sense of larger purpose, and contribute creative ideas to further the university's mission of teaching, discovery, and engagement.