**FACULTY SEARCH**

**Associate Director**

 **Luquillo Long-Term Ecological Research Program**

**University of Puerto Rico, Rio Piedras Campus**

The University of Puerto Rico seeks to fill a senior faculty position to contribute to the leadership of the Luquillo Long-Term Ecological Research Program (LUQ-LTER). Established in 1988, LUQ-LTER (http:luq.lternet.edu) is devoted to understanding the causes and consequences of changes in forest and stream ecosystems in and around El Yunque National Forest (coterminous with the Luquillo Experimental Forest) in eastern Puerto Rico, focusing on disturbances associated with cyclonic storms and climate change. The Associate Director is expected exhibit strong leadership skills and will assume Directorship of the LUQ-LTER after establishing experience with program operations. Meanwhile, their role will be to assist the Director in coordinating research operations and supervising personnel associated with long-term research projects, education programs, and information management. We seek an individual with (1) a strong academic record in tropical environmental research, (2) the capability to lead a collaborative, interdisciplinary, research team comprising scientists from UPR, USDA Forest Service, and mainland institutions, and (3) experience in research administration in a university setting. Research area is open, but preference will be given to persons with experience working in the areas of research encompassed by LUQ-LTER. Persons interested in joining and leading the LUQ-LTER team are asked to submit a letter of interest, CV, a statement of scientific management philosophy, and the names of four references to Luq.lter.search@gmail.com. Those interested in discussing the position in advance of an application may directly contact the current Director, Jess K. Zimmerman, by writing him at jesskz@ites.upr.edu.

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