Valparaiso University’s Department of Computing and Information Sciences announces two tenure-track positions available at the rank of assistant professor, with one position potentially available at associate professor for qualified candidates, beginning August 2016. Ideal candidates will have a Ph.D. in the computing sciences in order to contribute to teaching and scholarship in the areas of computer science, information technology, and cyber security. Candidates with expertise in cyber security are preferred. Academic administrative experience is especially desirable for candidates seeking to be hired at the associate professor rank.

Successful applicants will demonstrate a commitment to cultural diversity and the ability to work with individuals or groups from diverse backgrounds. In addition to strong academic qualifications and excellence in teaching, the University highly values experience in working across cultural and other significant differences. The Department is in partnership with the National Center for Women & Information Technology for the purpose of improving recruitment and retention of underrepresented groups in computer science. Applications from women and minorities are especially encouraged. Candidates should be interested in working at a university that values excellence in teaching and that is engaged in issues in Christian higher education in the Lutheran tradition.

The Department currently supports an undergraduate major and minor in Computer Science, a Master’s program in Information Technology, and a Master’s program in Cyber Security. These programs are all growing very rapidly, with 60 undergraduate majors, 300 candidates in Information Technology, and 25 candidates in Cyber Security. The new Cyber Security graduate program that began in 2014 is operated in both online and in-person formats, and is now used to provide a 4+1 degree option for freshmen Computer Science majors. Students in all programs enjoy hands-on experience with a robust virtualized-server environment. This environment also supports a variety of experiential and project driven learning opportunities, including faculty/student research efforts.

The Department’s students are highly diverse, with over five nationalities regularly represented, particularly enriched by the heavily international graduate student community. To support these programs, there are currently 8 full-time faculty with a broad spectrum of academic, governmental, and industrial experience. In accord with the University's Lutheran character and interdisciplinary focus, the Department also engages in a variety of cross-College and cross-University collaborations as well as various STEM outreach service activities. More information regarding the faculty and activities is available at http://www.valpo.edu/computing-information-sciences.

Duties include 24 workload credit hours per year, distributed among teaching, continued scholarly activity, assistance in administration of programs, and service to the Department and University. Interested applicants should submit a letter of application, vita, statement of teaching philosophy, summary of research plans, and three letters of recommendation (two related to teaching) to Interfolio at http://apply.interfolio.com/32140. Questions concerning the positions may be submitted electronically to James.Caristi@valpo.edu, with CS Search in the subject line. Review of applications will begin immediately and continue until the positions are filled.

Valparaiso University does not unlawfully discriminate and aims to employ persons of various backgrounds and experiences to develop and support a diverse community. Its entire EOE policy can be found at http://www.valpo.edu/equalopportunity/index.php.

Employment at Valparaiso University will require a satisfactory criminal background check.