The Department of Chemistry and Biochemistry in the College of Science and Mathematics invites applications and nominations for the position of tenure-track Assistant Professor of Biochemistry.

Founded in 1906, Georgia Southern University is a Carnegie Doctoral/R2 institution with a focus on public-impact research, serving about 27,000 students on three beautiful campuses in Statesboro, Savannah, and Hinesville, and via a growing online program. Through our degree offerings at the associate’s, bachelor’s, master’s, and doctoral levels, Georgia Southern offers a distinctive combination of community collaboration, world-class scholarship, innovative teaching, and hands-on learning opportunities.

To equitably serve a fast growing and highly diverse student body and to fulfill the University’s commitment to promoting diversity, equity, and inclusion, we actively seek candidates with a demonstrated commitment to Inclusive Excellence. Candidates whose work furthers the institution’s goals and who bring to campus varied life experiences, perspectives, and backgrounds are especially encouraged to apply.

Within this setting, the Department of Chemistry and Biochemistry is housed in the College of Science and Mathematics. The Department offers two ACS certified Bachelor of Science degrees in chemistry and biochemistry as well as a Bachelor of Arts degree in chemistry. The biochemistry degree is also certified by ASBMB. The Department also offers a Master of Science in Applied Physical Science with concentrations in pharmaceutical, materials and coatings, and environmental sciences. The Department is rapidly increasing its externally funded research activities and is housed in a 47,000 square foot facility containing modern classrooms with dedicated teaching and research laboratories on the Statesboro campus and a similar facility on the Armstrong campus. The Department is composed of 45 faculty with 36 in the professor track and 9 in the lecturer track as well as 4 full-time staff. The faculty focuses on high quality, student-centered undergraduate and graduate education that prepares students for careers in industry as well as medicine, dentistry, pharmacy, and education. The Department is committed to both graduate and undergraduate research with the majority of undergraduate biochemistry and chemistry majors participating, thus furthering their preparedness for post-baccalaureate studies in many fields. A hallmark of this Department is faculty mentoring of undergraduate chemistry and biochemistry majors. Information describing the Department and its faculty can be found at http://cosm.georgiasouthern.edu/chemistry

Position Description. Reporting to the Department Chair, the Assistant Professor position requires teaching, scholarship, and service responsibilities. The position is a 10-month tenure track appointment, with a salary that is both competitive and commensurate with qualifications and experience.

Required Qualifications:
• Earned a Ph.D. in Biochemistry or Chemistry (with a biochemistry emphasis), or a closely related field, by August 1, 2022
• Commitment to teaching excellence in the undergraduate and graduate classroom
• Potential for developing an externally funded research program in the area of biochemistry that fully involves and engages both undergraduate and graduate students.
• Ability to work with diverse populations.
• Effective communication skills.
• Willingness to engage with institutional student success initiatives.
• Commitment to engaging with best practice initiatives in instruction and pedagogy, mentoring, and curriculum design and development.
• Demonstrated commitment to advancing a strong and growing research and scholarship agenda and the production of research/creative activities as appropriate to the discipline.

Preferred Qualifications:
• Post-doctoral experience
• Teaching experience
• Preference will be given to candidates whose research specialization is in bioanalytical or biophysical chemistry.

Conditions of Employment:
• Must be authorized to work in the United States for the duration of employment without assistance from the institution.
• All work for Georgia Southern University must be completed while the employee is physically present in the state of Georgia, unless specifically authorized by the university for a specific purpose and limited period of time within current policy.
• Faculty are expected to contribute to the vibrant university community by engaging students, participating in events, and performing other responsibilities on-campus.
• Faculty may be required to teach, conduct research, or perform service duties on any of the three campuses. Georgia Southern provides accessible transportation options between campuses.

Screening of applications begins January 10, 2022 and continues until the position is filled. The preferred position starting date is August 1, 2022.

A complete application (as a single pdf file) consists of a letter addressing the qualifications cited above; a curriculum vitae; photocopies of undergraduate and graduate transcripts, a statement of teaching philosophy (up to 2 pages), and a description of proposed research (up to 3 pages including start up needs). In addition, letters of recommendation are to be sent directly from three individual references as a pdf document to the email below. Other documentation may be requested.

Only complete applications submitted electronically will be considered. Finalists will be required to submit to a background investigation. Applications and nominations should be sent to:
Dr. Mitch Weiland, Search Chair #67894
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Electronic mail: mweiland@georgiasouthern.edu
Telephone: 912-344-2706

More information about the institution is available through http://www.georgiasouthern.edu or https://cosm.georgiasouthern.edu/. The names of applicants and nominees, vitae, and other non-evaluative information may be subject to public inspection under the Georgia Open Records Act. Georgia Southern University provides equal employment opportunities to all employees and applicants for employment
without regard to race, color, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, national origin, religion, age, veteran status, political affiliation, or disability. Individuals who need reasonable accommodations under the Americans with Disabilities Act to participate in the search process should notify Human Resources at 912-478-6947.