Assistant Professor of Biochemistry—Search #67629
College of Science and Mathematics / Department of Chemistry and Biochemistry

The Department of Chemistry and Biochemistry in the College of Science and Mathematics invites applications and nominations for the position of Assistant Professor of Biochemistry. This position is located on the Statesboro campus.

Georgia Southern University is the state's largest and most comprehensive center of higher education south of Atlanta. With 141 degree programs at the associate's, bachelor's, master's, and doctoral levels, Georgia Southern is designated a Carnegie Doctoral/Research university and serves more than 27,000 students on three vibrant campuses—the Armstrong campus in Savannah, the Statesboro campus, and the Liberty campus in Hinesville. Georgia Southern offers an attractive campus environment that encourages learning, discovery, and personal growth. Nationally accredited academic programs prepare diverse scholars for leadership and service as working citizens.

Since 1906, the University's hallmark has been a culture of engagement that bridges theory with practice, extends the learning environment beyond the classroom, and promotes student growth and life success. Central to the University's mission is the faculty's dedication to excellence in teaching and the development of a fertile learning environment exemplified by a free exchange of ideas, high academic expectations, and individual responsibility for academic achievement. Faculty, staff, and students embrace core values expressed through integrity, civility, kindness, collaboration, and a commitment to lifelong learning, wellness, and social responsibility.

Within this setting, the Department of Chemistry and Biochemistry is housed in the College of Science and Mathematics. The Department of Chemistry and Biochemistry offers two ACS certified Bachelor of Science degrees in chemistry and biochemistry as well as a Bachelor of Arts degree in chemistry. The department also offers a Master of Science in Applied Physical Science with concentrations in pharmaceutical science, materials and coatings science, and environmental science. The Department is rapidly increasing its externally funded research activities and is housed in a 14-year-old, recently reconfigured, 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 2018 consolidated department is comprised of 36 tenured and tenure-track faculty and 9 lecturer faculty. The faculty focuses on high quality, student-centered undergraduate and graduate education that prepares students for careers in the chemical 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 requires teaching, service, and scholarship responsibilities. The position is a 9-month tenure track appointment, with a salary that is both competitive and commensurate with qualifications and experience.
Required Qualifications:
• Earned Ph.D. in Chemistry (with a biochemistry emphasis), Biochemistry, or a closely related field by August 1, 2019
• Have a commitment to teaching excellence in the undergraduate and graduate classroom
• Have potential for developing an externally funded research program in the area of biochemistry that fully involves and engages both graduate and undergraduate students
• Ability to work with diverse populations and effective communication skills in spoken and written English
• Must be authorized to work in the United States for the duration of employment without assistance from the institution

Preferred Qualifications:
• Post-doctoral experience
• Teaching experience

Screening of applications begins October 12, 2018, and continues until the position is filled. The preferred position starting date is August 1, 2019. A complete application consists of a letter addressing the qualifications cited above; a curriculum vitae; photocopies of undergraduate and graduate transcripts; a statement of teaching philosophy; a description of proposed research (up to 3 pages); and three letters of recommendation sent directly from the references as a pdf document; and the names, addresses, email addresses, and telephone numbers of those references. 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:
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More information about the institution is available through http://www.georgiasouthern.edu or https://cosm.georgiasouthern.edu/chemistry/. Georgia Southern University seeks to recruit individuals who are committed to working in diverse academic and professional communities and who are committed to excellence in teaching, scholarship, and professional service within the University and beyond. 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 is an Affirmative Action, Equal Opportunity institution. Individuals who need reasonable accommodations under the ADA to participate in the search process should contact the Vice Provost.