COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES

POSITION: Assistant Professor of Education (Elementary Education)

Stetson University seeks a broadly prepared and experienced educator for a full-time, nine-month tenure-track appointment as an assistant professor. We seek a dynamic teacher-scholar with a primary emphasis on elementary education and secondary emphasis in core content science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM) with potential to provide innovative leadership in education. He or she must be able to teach core courses in both our undergraduate and graduate programs while participating energetically in the rapidly changing field of teacher preparation. We especially seek a faculty colleague who can deepen our program’s signature emphasis on preparing teachers in the critical dimensions of cultural, economic, and gender diversity in 21st-century K-12 education. He or she must also be able to draw on the strengths of the University’s academic program in the liberal arts and sciences, business, law, and counseling.

QUALIFICATIONS:
The candidate will have an earned doctoral degree from an accredited university in education. An emphasis in elementary education, science, technology or mathematics education, or broad based curriculum and instruction is preferred. Teaching experience in an elementary school setting strengthens the application.

RESPONSIBILITIES:
The teaching load is three courses per semester. The successful candidate will be expected to teach graduate and undergraduate level courses in elementary methods, curriculum and instruction and related areas according to expertise; supervise internships and practicums; advise students; assist with state and national certification requirements; develop and maintain a focused scholarly research agenda; and take an active role in partnerships with school systems.

Candidates should demonstrate a passion for the highest quality of teaching, combined with the ability to produce rigorous peer-reviewed academic scholarship. Scholarly activity leading to publication in peer-reviewed journals and service to the Department, the College of Arts and Sciences, the University, and the profession are required. Engagement in multidisciplinary collaborations with other faculty is anticipated. For more information on our expectations in teaching and scholarship, our tenure policies, and our support for faculty development, please see the Office of the Provost and Academic Affairs website:
http://www.stetson.edu/administration/provost/index.php

THE DEPARTMENT:
The Department of Education (http://www.stetson.edu/artsci/education/) is an NCATE accredited program with a strong record and long history of preparing teachers and educational leaders in undergraduate and graduate programs in our DeLand campus and at our satellite center at Celebration, near Orlando.

THE COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES:
Stetson’s College of Arts and Sciences (http://www.stetson.edu/portal/artsci/) is the largest and most diverse of the University’s colleges and schools; it includes the humanities, social sciences, natural sciences, education, and creative arts. With nineteen academic departments and eight interdisciplinary programs, the College is the liberal arts core of the University. A great strength of the College is its faculty of approximately 140 full-time teacher-scholars. The College offers 31 undergraduate majors and 34 undergraduate minors; six graduate degrees are offered in Education, Counselor Education, and Creative Writing. Every undergraduate major requires a senior research project, allowing students the opportunity to design and carry out independent research under faculty mentorship. Our academic programs are shaped by the values of social justice and civic responsibility. All of our courses and programs of study promote engaged learning,
whereby students create connections between the classroom or lab and the local, regional, and global community. The academic programs of the College of Arts and Sciences prepare students to live significant lives, to interact with and positively affect the world around them.

THE UNIVERSITY:
Founded in 1883, Stetson University (http://www.stetson.edu) is a private, selective university comprised of a rich array of liberal arts and professional academic programs. Collectively, Stetson’s faculty works with nearly 4000 students in undergraduate, graduate, and professional programs. The University’s historic main campus, located in DeLand, enrolls more than 2,800 students in undergraduate programs in the College of Arts & Sciences, the School of Business Administration, and the School of Music. Stetson University College of Law, Florida’s first law school, moved from the main campus to Gulfport in 1945, and, with the addition of the Tampa Law Center, serves approximately 1,000 students working full-time or part-time toward J.D. or L.L.M. degrees. Graduate programs offered at the main campus and at Stetson University Center in Celebration include Business, Accounting, Elementary Education – Education for Social Justice, Educational Leadership, Counseling, and Creative Writing. Florida’s oldest private institution of higher learning, Stetson has regularly been ranked among the best regional universities in the Southeast and was the first private college in Florida to be granted a chapter of Phi Beta Kappa.

Stetson University provides an inspiring education that engages students with rigorous academic and creative study grounded in liberal learning and promotes civic values of personal and social responsibility. Working closely with faculty and with one another, students cultivate abilities to explore issues deeply, think critically, reason empirically, speak persuasively, and connect ideas creatively. Firmly committed to inclusive excellence, our vibrant community of teacher-scholars nurtures the potential of individual students to lead lives of significance and prepares each to meet the challenges of shaping the future—locally, nationally, and globally.

THE COMMUNITY:
DeLand is a picturesque residential community of 25,000 located 20 miles west of Daytona Beach and 35 miles northeast of Orlando. The area offers extensive cultural as well as recreational activities.

SALARY: Salary is competitive.

STARTING DATE: August 15, 2016

APPLICATION:
Applicants must send the following materials for consideration: (1) a letter of application addressing qualifications and describing teaching, research, and professional interests and experiences related to elementary education with special emphasis in core content science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM) with potential to provide innovative leadership in education, (2) a curriculum vitae, (3) examples of scholarly or professional writing, and (4) three letters of reference that address candidate’s teaching, research, and leadership qualifications

Application materials may be submitted electronically (preferred) to Dr. Christopher Colwell at educationdept@stetson.edu or mailed to the following address:

   Dr. Christopher Colwell, Search Committee Chair
   Department of Education
   Stetson University
   421 N. Woodland Blvd. Unit 8419
   DeLand, FL 32723

Review of applications will begin immediately and continue until the position is filled.
Stetson University is an Equal Opportunity Employer that affirms cultural diversity and inclusion as a core value of academic excellence at Stetson University. We are committed to achieving equal access in education, employment, and participation through the recruitment and retention of outstanding faculty, staff, and students from diverse backgrounds, and to meaningful academic and intellectual transformation in curriculum, research, and service. We are dedicated to actions and policies that foster a community in which individuals with various identities, cultures, backgrounds, and viewpoints work together to create opportunities for engagement through rewarding and fulfilling careers and personal experiences in a culturally and racially diverse society and a globalized world. We strongly encourage members of historically under-represented and economically-disadvantaged groups and women to apply for employment. Stetson University is an EEO, ADA, ADEA, and GINA employer.