Position: Assistant Professor of Psychology (Health Psychology)

Stetson University seeks an excellent colleague to join our growing Department of Psychology as we build toward our vision of connecting psychology with a University-wide focus on public health. We seek a full-time, tenure-track faculty member who is able to teach a broad range of courses related to health behaviors including health psychology, human sexuality, as well as research methods. There is also the possibility of developing courses in the candidate’s area of specialization. We will consider a broad range of research backgrounds, although research interests in health behaviors, aging, or health communication are particularly welcome.

Qualifications:
Colleagues who have the capacity to pursue a strong research agenda and to involve students as apprentice social scientists in publishable research will be of special interest to us. Successful candidates will have earned the Ph.D. in a related area of psychology, must demonstrate potential for excellence in teaching undergraduates in both general and specialized areas of psychology, and provide evidence of an active scholarly agenda.

Responsibilities:
Faculty members are required to teach three courses per semester, to serve as faculty advisors for our psychology majors, and to be productive scholars, willing to involve undergraduates as apprentice researchers in their scholarly work. Other responsibilities include departmental, College, and University service.

For more information on our expectations in teaching and scholarship, our tenure policies, and our support for faculty development, please see the Academic Affairs website:
http://www.stetson.edu/other/faculty/professional-development/index.php

The Department:
The Department of Psychology (http://www.stetson.edu/other/academics/programs/psychology.php) is developing programs to connect the discipline of psychology with problems in our community related to health behaviors, broadly defined (e.g., psychology in public health, the study of health-related behaviors themselves). Psychology is a rapidly growing department within the College of Arts and Sciences. We have approximately 220 majors and 70 minors.

Our department is strongly committed to developing effective teaching and to working with students in a mentoring capacity, whether as faculty advisers, research supervisors, teaching apprenticeship supervisors, internship coordinators, teachers for independent studies, advisers for student organizations, or in other capacities. Our faculty members are also dedicated scholars with a broad range of research interests and expertise.

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, enrols 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 LL.M. degrees. Graduate
programs offered at the main campus and at Stetson University Center in Celebration include Business, Accounting, Educational Leadership, Elementary Education – Education for Social Justice, and Counseling. 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, 2015

APPLICATION:
Applicants must send the following materials for consideration: a cover letter that includes the candidate’s philosophy of teaching in a liberal arts university and describes the current direction of the candidate’s research work; a curriculum vitae; transcripts (copies are acceptable for screening); and names and contact information for three references. Highlighting evidence of teaching excellence would be especially helpful.

In the cover letter, candidates are encouraged to highlight skills and experiences that demonstrate a commitment to social justice, diversity and inclusion. Review of applications will begin immediately and continue until the position is filled.

Application materials may be submitted electronically (.doc, .docx, or .pdf formats) to Dr. Christopher J. Ferguson at cjfergus@stetson.edu.

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.