

STETSON UNIVERSITY

COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES

POSITION: Assistant Professor of Chemistry

Stetson University seeks applicants for the position of tenure-track Assistant Professor of Chemistry. This is a full-time, nine-month position, beginning in August 2023.

QUALIFICATIONS:

Applicants must have a Ph.D. in an area of chemistry, broadly defined, as either analytical or physical chemistry. A record of scholarly publication in an appropriate area of expertise is expected. Post-doctoral research experience and teaching experience beyond typical *teaching assistant* duties in graduate school are preferred but not required. Candidates who have experience working with students from diverse backgrounds and a demonstrated commitment to improving access to higher education for students from underrepresented groups are especially encouraged to apply.

RESPONSIBILITIES:

Stetson focuses on education of the whole student through a strong foundation in General Education, deep disciplinary training, and experiential learning. Thus, this tenure-track faculty position has a strong focus on teaching, advising, and mentoring of undergraduate research. The Department of Chemistry and Biochemistry offers American Chemical Society (ACS) certified degrees in chemistry and biochemistry, and supports students interested in careers in the health sciences, attending graduate school, or entering the workforce after graduation. In addition to teaching established chemistry courses and labs, the successful candidate will be willing to develop new courses suitable for general education designation, including courses that may become part of the University's First Year Seminar or Junior Seminar program. Stetson tenure-track faculty usually teach three unit courses each semester. For this appointment, this would typically mean an introductory, foundational, or advanced course in chemistry with an accompanying lab, and an additional general education or advanced course in the candidate's specialization with an accompanying lab. As teacher-scholars, candidates will be expected to be excellent teachers and pursue a vibrant research program. The candidate will also provide academic advising for undergraduates each semester. University service and or leadership are also expected commensurate with rank.

For more information on our expectations in teaching and scholarship and our support for faculty development, please see the Office of the Provost and Academic Affairs website:

<http://www.stetson.edu/provost>.

THE DEPARTMENT:

The Department of Chemistry and Biochemistry at Stetson (<https://www.stetson.edu/other/academics/programs/chemistry.php>) is accredited by the ACS and currently consists of seven full-time faculty members with areas of expertise in analytical, biochemical, inorganic, organic, and physical chemistry. The department has a long history of successfully placing students in reputable graduate programs, as well as directly into the workforce. Faculty in the department are committed to the teacher-scholar model, which involves teaching within a liberal arts environment where the primary focus is extensive interaction with undergraduate students in a small class setting, while also maintaining an active scholarly agenda. Our faculty work alongside other natural science colleagues in the departments of biology, health science, environmental science and studies, and physics, sharing a 22,000 square-foot Sage Science Facility and the newly-constructed 44,000 square-foot Brown Hall Center for Health and Innovation set to open in November 2023.

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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, giving 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 4,000 students in undergraduate, graduate, and professional programs. The University's historic main campus, located in DeLand, enrolls more than 2,600 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 1954, 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, 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 32,000 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 8, 2023

APPLICATION:

Applicants must send the following materials for consideration: 1) a cover letter that includes the candidate's philosophy of teaching, advising, and mentoring of undergraduate research in a liberal arts university, 2) a research plan, 3) a curriculum vitae, 4) a copy of graduate transcripts, and 5) three letters of recommendation, at least one of which must include an evaluation of teaching ability (all letters should be submitted to the search committee directly by the recommender). In the cover letter, candidates are

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encouraged to highlight skills and experiences that demonstrate a commitment to social justice, diversity and inclusion.

Review of applications will begin November 1st and will continue until the position is filled.

Application materials may be submitted electronically to chemistrydept@stetson.edu. Any questions may be directed to Dr. John York at jyork@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.