

# STETSON UNIVERSITY

## COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES

### POSITION: Visiting Assistant Professor of Health Sciences

The Department of Health Science at Stetson University invites applications for a full time, visiting assistant professor position beginning August 2024. Primary teaching responsibilities include undergraduate courses in health science, including Anatomy and Physiology with labs. The position is a full-time, 9-month appointment that spans August 2024-May 2025, with potential for renewal.

#### QUALIFICATIONS:

The successful candidate will hold a Ph.D. in biological or biomedical sciences with demonstrated excellence in teaching undergraduates. Candidates should have a strong commitment to innovative pedagogy and mentoring undergraduates. We are particularly interested in candidates with experience or interest in engaging students from diverse backgrounds.

#### THE DEPARTMENT:

The successful applicant's appointment will be in the Department of Health Sciences. Currently, there are six full-time faculty members, whose expertise spans several diverse health-related fields (e.g., immunology/virology, gerontology, nutrition, exercise physiology). We are deeply committed to effective teaching and to working with students in a mentoring capacity.

#### RESPONSIBILITIES:

The teaching load is equivalent to four course units per semester. Primary teaching responsibilities include Anatomy and Physiology with labs and/or other courses in the candidate's area of specialization. Specialized courses may include new or existing upper-division health sciences courses and/or General Education courses. For more information on our expectations in teaching and our support for faculty development, please see the Office of the Provost and Academic Affairs website: [www.stetson.edu/provost](http://www.stetson.edu/provost).

#### THE COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES (CAS):

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 150 full-time teacher-scholars. The College offers 38 undergraduate majors and 40 undergraduate minors; six graduate degrees are offered in Education, Counselor Education, and Creative Writing. Every CAS undergraduate major requires a senior capstone project, providing students the opportunity to design and carry out quality, faculty-mentored research. 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 3,700 students in undergraduate, graduate, and professional programs. The University's historic main campus, located in DeLand, enrolls more than 2,300 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 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 38,000 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 10, 2024

**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 students, 2) a curriculum vitae, and 3) three letters of recommendation, at least two of which include an evaluation of teaching ability. Candidates are encouraged to highlight skills and experiences that demonstrate a commitment to diversity and inclusion.

Reviews of complete applications will begin on December 1, 2023, and continue until the position is filled. Application materials may be submitted electronically to [healthsciences@stetson.edu](mailto:healthsciences@stetson.edu) or mailed to the following address:

Dr. Matthew Schrager, Search Committee Chair  
Department of Health Sciences  
Stetson University  
421 N. Woodland Blvd. Unit 8317  
DeLand, FL 32723

*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 underrepresented and economically disadvantaged groups and women to apply for employment. Stetson University is an EEO, ADA, ADEA, and GINA employer.*