

STETSON UNIVERSITY

COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES

POSITION: Assistant Professor of Practice in Counselor Education

Stetson University seeks an Assistant Professor of Practice with expertise in Counselor Education. This is a full-time, twelve-month, non-tenure-track appointment beginning August 2026, with the potential for renewal.

QUALIFICATIONS:

Required qualifications: Applicants must hold a doctoral degree in Counselor Education from a CACREP-accredited program. Experience in teaching and mentoring Masters' level students is required, and preference will be given to candidates with experience supervising practicum and internship students. Individuals should demonstrate the potential for excellence in teaching, the ability to work collaboratively with others, and a commitment to affirming inclusive environments and engaging across differences. Qualified applicants should have an interest in elevating the quality of entry-level education in counseling and in increasing opportunities for those historically underrepresented in the counseling profession. Applicants must be licensed or license-eligible in mental health counseling (LMHC) and/or marriage and family therapy (LMFT) in the state of Florida.

Preferred qualifications: Preference will be given to applicants who can contribute to both Clinical Mental Health Counseling (CMHC) and Marriage, Couple, and Family Counseling (MCFC) specialty areas. The ideal candidate will have clinical experience, teaching experience, and/or other professional qualifications in MCFC.

RESPONSIBILITIES:

Stetson's Counselor Education department focuses on education of the whole student through a strong foundation in the core CACREP content areas, experiential learning, and professional mentoring relationships with faculty. This professor of practice position has a strong focus on teaching and mentoring graduate students from a broad cross section of diverse backgrounds. Responsibilities include teaching a variety of courses within our two CACREP-accredited programs in CMHC and MCFC. The annual teaching load includes three (3) courses in the fall semester, three (3) courses in the spring semester, and two (2) courses in the summer semester. Responsibilities also include advising graduate counseling students in their program of study and serving on department committees, as needed. Service to the Department, the College of Arts and Sciences, the University, and the profession are required.

THE DEPARTMENT:

The graduate program of the Department of Counselor Education (<https://www.stetson.edu/artsci/counselor/>) consists of seven full-time faculty members and is dedicated to preparing counselor education students to be ethically informed; developing a keen awareness of their personal strengths and resiliency; further developing an appreciation for cultural diversity, critical thinking, and creative expression; and having a deep commitment to the counseling profession and community as a whole. Our commitment is to produce stellar graduates whose work centers on helping individuals, couples, and families in a diverse world.

Our faculty are engaged in initiatives that include externally funded grant activities, leadership within professional counseling organizations, collaborative work across departments within the University to enhance the health and wellbeing of our community, and local and international work centered on the development of culturally sustaining programs and interventions for vulnerable populations. These initiatives create unique and exciting opportunities for our students and for the individual who will be joining our team.

THE COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES:

Stetson's College of Arts and Sciences (<https://www.stetson.edu/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 nine 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; seven 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 comprising a rich array of liberal arts and professional academic programs. Collectively, Stetson's faculty works with approximately 3,700 students in undergraduate, graduate, and professional programs. The University's historic main campus, located in DeLand, enrolls approximately 2,300 students in undergraduate programs in the College of Arts and 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 based at the main campus in DeLand include Business, Accounting, Education, Counseling, and Creative Writing, with Educational Leadership cohorts also offered at the Gulfport campus. 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, 2026.

APPLICATION:

Applicants should supply the following materials for consideration: 1) a cover letter that describes the candidate's qualifications for the position as described in this announcement, 2) a statement of teaching philosophy, 3) a curriculum vitae, 4) three references (with emails and phone numbers), and 5) transcripts for master's and doctoral degrees (copies acceptable for initial screening). In the cover letter, candidates are encouraged to highlight skills and experiences that demonstrate a commitment to promoting inclusive academic environments and engaging across differences.

All application information may be submitted electronically to counseloreducation@stetson.edu. Questions about the position can be directed to Dr. Bradley McKibben, Chair of the Department of Counselor Education, at bmckibben@stetson.edu.

Review of applications will begin immediately and continue until position is filled.

Stetson University is an Equal Opportunity Employer that affirms inclusive environments and engaging across differences 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 a tapestry of 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 an increasingly diverse society and a globalized world. We encourage qualified candidates across all backgrounds and identities to apply for employment, including members of historically underrepresented groups.

Stetson University is an EEO, ADA, ADEA, and GINA employer.