

STETSON UNIVERSITY

COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES

POSITION: Adjunct Instructor, Journalism/Department of Communication and Media Studies

The Journalism Program in the Communication and Media Studies Department at Stetson University seeks an experienced and knowledgeable journalist and/or journalism instructor to teach undergraduate journalism courses in the spring 2027 semester.

QUALIFICATIONS:

A master's degree or Ph.D. in a related field, such as journalism or communication, is strongly preferred, but a bachelor's degree with extensive experience in journalism will be considered. Teaching experience, including teaching undergraduates, serving as a teaching assistant in graduate school, or providing instruction in a professional setting, is strongly preferred. Candidates should demonstrate substantial knowledge and experience in journalism and a strong commitment to innovative teaching, creative approaches to pedagogical design and implementation, and all aspects of diversity in our learning-centered community. Professional experience may include reporting, writing, editing, producing, multimedia journalism, or related areas. Candidates with expertise in all areas of journalism are encouraged to apply, although preference will be given to candidates who are qualified to teach Broadcast Journalism or Sports Journalism. Applicants must already be approved to work in the U.S.

RESPONSIBILITIES:

The primary responsibility of this position is to design and teach an undergraduate journalism course or courses to students who are interested in developing practical and professional journalism skills. Courses may serve students with a range of journalism experience, from introductory through more advanced levels. Depending on the candidate's expertise and the needs of the program, teaching responsibilities may include areas such as reporting, writing, editing, multimedia journalism, broadcast journalism, sports journalism, podcasting, or other contemporary forms of journalism.

SALARY: The salary is competitive and proportional to the number of classes taught.

STARTING DATE: January 11, 2027

APPLICATION:

Applicants must send the following materials for consideration:

- a cover letter detailing how the applicant's education, professional accomplishments, and experiences meet the requirements of the position
- a current curriculum vitae
- an indication of the candidate's general availability
- a recent representative syllabus and corresponding teaching evaluations, if available

As a part of the hiring process, the candidate should be prepared to provide (when requested) a transcript from the institution awarding the highest degree earned, and names with contact

information for two non-Stetson references, at least one of whom can address the applicant's performance as a teacher.

All information may be submitted electronically to Dr. Olena Kolupayeva, search committee chair, at communicationstudies@stetson.edu. While electronic submissions are preferred, alternatively, application materials may be mailed to:

Dr. Olena Kolupayeva,
Search Committee Chair
Department of Communication and Media Studies
Stetson University
421 N. Woodland Blvd.
Unit 8209
DeLand, FL 32723

Review of applications will begin immediately and will continue until the position is filled. Candidates interested in being considered for multiple departmental openings are welcome to submit applications for each relevant position.

THE DEPARTMENT:

The Department of Communication and Media Studies (<https://www.stetson.edu/artsci/communication-and-media-studies/>) takes an interdisciplinary approach to undergraduate liberal arts education and communication research. We are a thriving department within the Humanities Division of the College of Arts and Sciences with approximately 80 majors and minors. Through the study of communication and media, we seek to prepare graduates who are adept at interpreting the world and ready to offer energetic and innovative leadership as citizens and in their professions. We offer a major and minor in Communication and Media Studies as well as a minor in Journalism.

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 comprised of 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 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 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. Stetson is Florida's oldest private institution of higher learning 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.

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.