POSITION: Assistant Professor of Health Sciences/Biology

Stetson University seeks a physiologist for a tenure-track appointment at the Assistant Professor level. The position is a full-time, 9-month appointment that begins in August 2020.

QUALIFICATIONS:
The successful candidate will hold a Ph.D. in human biology or closely related field with demonstrated excellence in teaching undergraduates and a record of scholarly publication. Postdoctoral experience is strongly recommended but not required. Acceptable specializations may include human anatomy, human physiology, lifestyle/chronic disease, immunology, or exercise physiology. We seek individuals with research interests that complement existing areas of focus in exercise, aging, microbiome effects on health, and developmental physiology. Candidates should have a strong commitment to innovative pedagogy and academic advising of undergraduates. Equity and diversity are essential to academic excellence. We are particularly interested in candidates with an interest in or record of scholarship in engaging students from diverse backgrounds.

RESPONSIBILITIES:
As a liberal learning institution, Stetson focuses on education of the whole student through a strong foundation in General Education, deep disciplinary training, and experiential learning. The successful applicant will have a primary (2/3) appointment in the Department of Health Sciences and a secondary (1/3) appointment in the Department of Biology, which together include 15 faculty with strengths in developmental and cardiovascular physiology, aging, nutrition, cancer biology, neurobiology, cell biology, genetics, molecular biology, and terrestrial and aquatic ecology. Primary teaching responsibilities will include contributions to the Introductory Biology sequence and mentoring of capstone senior research projects; secondary teaching responsibilities could include Anatomy & Physiology, Immunology, or other courses in the candidate’s area of specialization. The combined teaching load is equivalent to three course units per semester, which typically ranges from 9 to 12 contact hours. Other courses will be based on the candidate’s expertise, and may include new or existing upper-division health sciences and/or General Education courses. As teacher-scholars, candidates are expected to be excellent teachers, pursue a vibrant research program involving undergraduates, and provide academic advising for undergraduates each semester. Candidates will be expected to produce rigorous, peer-reviewed academic scholarship. University service is expected commensurate with rank. For more information on our expectations in teaching, scholarship, and service; tenure and promotion policies; and available support for faculty development, please see the Office of the Provost and Academic Affairs website: http://www.stetson.edu/administration/provost/index.php

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 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 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. A new health and science building, currently in the planning phase, will be completed within the
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 4000 students in undergraduate, graduate, and professional programs. The University's historic main campus, located in DeLand, enrolls more than 3,000 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 arts-based 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 15, 2020

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, and 4) 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.

Review of complete applications will begin January 21, 2020. Application materials may be submitted electronically to Dr. Matthew Schrager at mschrage@stetson.edu or mailed to the following address:

Dr. Matthew Schrager, Search Committee Chair
Department of Health Sciences
Stetson University
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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 under-represented and economically-disadvantaged groups and women to apply for employment. Stetson University is an EEO, ADA, ADEA, and GINA employer.