

FACULTY POSITION ANNOUNCEMENT
TENURE-TRACK

Department: CHEMISTRY

Effective Date of Appointment: August 19, 2020
(Subject to Budgetary Approval)

Rank: Assistant Professor, Tenure Track

Number of Positions: 2

About the University:

The newest addition to the California State University system, California State University Channel Islands (CSUCI) opened in 2002 with 629 transfer students and welcomed its first freshman class in fall 2003. Since that time, the University has grown and developed into one of the premier public universities not only in the Cal State system but also in the nation. Indeed, in its 2018 ranking, U.S. News & World Report listed CSUCI as the 18th highest-ranked regional public university in the western United States. Moreover, CSUCI was ranked 18th of over 1,300 schools in CollegeNET's Social Mobility Index in 2017. In a commitment to inclusive excellence of opportunity for its students, the University offers an array of degrees and community and social activities.

CSUCI is a public comprehensive university that engages students in critical inquiry and is dedicated to educating leaders for a global society. CSUCI is located in Ventura County and home to more than 6,800 undergraduate and 240 graduate students. We are proud to note that our campus is a designated Hispanic Serving Institution (HSI). 50% of the CSUCI undergraduate students are Latinx, 29% are White, 2% are African-American, 5% are Asian-American, and 4.5% are multiracial. We seek applicants who are dedicated to serving California State University, Channel Islands' (CSUCI) growing diverse student body as a tenure-track assistant professor beginning in the 2020-2021 academic year.

CSUCI Mission Statement:

Placing students at the center of the educational experience, California State University Channel Islands provides undergraduate and graduate education that facilitates learning within and across disciplines through integrative approaches, emphasizes experiential and service learning, and graduates students with multicultural and international perspectives.

About the Program:

At 100 students, the Chemistry Department is a mid-size major for our campus, and offers students several degrees: the Chemistry Certificate, Chemistry Minor, the BA in Chemistry, the BS in Chemistry, and BS Biochemistry Option. The Department also serves STEM disciplines with our General and Organic Chemistry Series, and the wider university through general education courses such as Non-Western Origins of Science and Chemistry of the Kitchen. Departmental strengths include: a pedagogical focus on student engagement and active learning, class-based experiential learning, and student research. The department is working to build faculty and students as a community of learners, and the student group The Free Radicals provides a space for social interaction and engagement. The Chemistry Department values experience with students from diverse racial, ethnic, gender, sexual, social class and socioeconomic, and neurodiverse populations, as well as nontraditional and working students.

CSUCI's Commitment to You:

CSUCI provides excellent faculty support services for new hires to settle in and join a collaborative and supportive community. With the proper support, the successful candidate will contribute to the mission of the school and university.

Qualifications:

Minimal Qualifications – Applicants must have Ph.D. degree in *Analytical and/or Biochemistry* or a closely related field. ABD candidates will be considered but must have completed their Ph.D. by **August 18, 2020**.

Required Qualifications:

- The successful candidate will have a background in biochemistry and/or analytical chemistry.
- Scholarship that complements one or more of these areas is also required.
- The successful candidate will also demonstrate an interest in and/or ability to teach courses in 1) quantitative analysis, instrumental analysis, analytical chemistry, as well as specialized electives in these areas; 2) introductory and advanced biochemistry, as well as specialized electives in this area.
- Successful candidates will be ready to develop undergraduate research projects.
- Applicants should demonstrate the commitment to effectively work with and engage a diverse student population and evidence of how they would successfully mentor minoritized students with a special focus on Latinx, African-American, and Native American students.

Preferred Qualifications:

- Recent experience working with Latinx, African-American, Native American, and/or other racially minoritized students in classroom and/or research settings are highly desirable.
- A demonstrated grasp of how exclusion of these groups is a result of historical patterns of exclusion in Chemistry and STEM disciplines is preferred.
- Preferred candidates will also have experience in culturally responsive and sustaining pedagogies, mentorship of racially diverse undergraduates, as well as service and/or experiential learning, curriculum design and development, and/or assessment of student learning outcomes.
- Familiarity with measurement and mitigation of equity gaps in course and classrooms is desirable. Postdoctoral experience is not required.

Responsibilities:

- Teaching courses in analytical and/or biochemistry;
- Teaching other courses according to the needs of the department;
- Maintaining an active research agenda involving undergraduates; and
- Collaborating with colleagues to develop, assess, and promote the major and department.

Application Deadline:

Screening of applications will begin on **March 1, 2020**. Priority will be given to applicants who meet the screening deadline; however, the position will remain open until filled.

Applicants must submit the following materials:

1. a letter of application,
2. curriculum vitae,
3. names and email addresses of three references,
4. a statement describing your experience mentoring and/or working with minoritized students with a special focus on Latinx, African-American, and Native American students, and
5. a teaching philosophy describing how you plan to engage and interact with students, with a special focus on Latinx, African-American, and Native American students.

In later phases of the search process, applicants may be requested to provide verification of terminal degrees, licenses and certificates.

Submit all required materials to the PeopleAdmin application web address below:

<https://www.csucifacultyjobs.com/applicants/jsp/shared/frameset/Frameset.jsp?time=1565139507155>

General Information:

Evidence of degree(s) required at time of hire.

At time of appointment, the successful candidate, if not a U.S. citizen, must have authorization from the Bureau of Citizenship and Immigration Services to work in the United States.

The person holding this position may be considered a 'mandated reporter' under the California Child Abuse and Neglect Reporting Act and is required to comply with the requirements set forth in [CSU Executive Order 1083](#) as a condition of employment.

A background check (including a criminal records check) must be completed satisfactorily before any candidate can be offered a position with the CSU. Failure to satisfactorily complete the background check may affect the application status of applicants or continued employment of current CSU employees who apply for the position.

CSUCI is an Equal Opportunity Employer and prohibits discrimination on the basis of race, color, ethnicity, religion, national origin, age, gender, gender identity/expression, sexual orientation, genetic information, medical condition, marital status, veteran status, and disability. Our nondiscrimination policy is set forth in [CSU Executive Order 1096](#). Reasonable accommodations will be provided for applicants with disabilities who self-disclose by contacting the Office of Faculty Affairs at (818) 677-2962.