



Pepperdine University

Position Announcement in the Natural Sciences:

Assistant Professor of Organic Chemistry

Pepperdine University's Seaver College of Letters, Arts and Sciences, located in Malibu, California, invites applications for an appointment as an Assistant Professor of Organic Chemistry for the 2023-2024 academic year beginning August 1, 2023. Applicants who have completed a Ph.D. by August 2023 in organic chemistry or a closely related discipline will be considered. Well-qualified candidates will be able to contribute to the excellence and vibrancy of the Pepperdine experience through their teaching, research, mentoring of undergraduates, as well as their service to the university, their profession, and our surrounding community.

As teaching is our foremost emphasis at Seaver College (<https://seaver.pepperdine.edu/about/our-story/seaver-mission/>), candidates should demonstrate exceptional interest and effectiveness in teaching and mentoring undergraduate students. Candidates should have the background and ability to teach a broad range of introductory and advanced mathematics courses, including courses for business and science majors. Candidates should also have an active and promising scholarly program. Successful candidates will demonstrate an active commitment to the Christian values of the University (<https://www.pepperdine.edu/about/our-story/mission-vision/>) and the mission of Seaver College (<https://seaver.pepperdine.edu/about/our-story/seaver-mission/>). The Department and University are broadly committed to belonging, equity, and inclusion. It is part of our institutional mission to teach and engage a diverse community of students. We especially welcome applications from candidates who are committed to advancing these ideals.

Applicants should submit the following to: <https://apply.interfolio.com/110030>.

- A letter of application
- A curriculum vitae
- Three current letters of reference. All letters should be specific to the position and completed within one year prior to the date of submission.
- Transcripts of all graduate work (*Unofficial copies are acceptable for the application; however, official transcripts may be required for selected applicants.*)
- A teaching statement. The teaching statement should reflect on the candidate's values, beliefs, and goals regarding the teaching and learning process and any pedagogical practices used or envisioned to achieve these goals. Two to three pages maximum length is requested.
- The statement of scholarly agenda. The statement should outline applicants' short- and long-term objectives and goals for their research and/or creative activities. Candidates should reflect

on currently published or presented work(s) as a foundation for the statement. Two to three pages maximum length is requested.

- Response to Mission

Pepperdine University's mission statement declares that we are a Christian university committed to the highest standards of academic excellence and Christian values, where students are strengthened for lives of purpose, service, and leadership. Religiously affiliated with the Churches of Christ, it is the purpose of Pepperdine to pursue the very highest employment and academic standards within a context which celebrates and extends the spiritual and ethical ideals of the Christian faith. In pursuit of its mission, Pepperdine reserves the right to recruit and hire persons who richly embrace the goals and Christian mission of the University.

At Seaver College, the undergraduate college of letters, arts, and science at Pepperdine, our faith calls us to uphold the highest standards of academic and scholarly excellence. To achieve this goal, our mission statement affirms that Seaver College is a Christian college where each student is a person of infinite dignity and their total development is centered at the heart of our educational enterprise. Arising from our faith, we commit to pursue truth relentlessly in all disciplines, fully confident that it has nothing to fear from investigation.

Candidates should thoughtfully reflect on the Christian missions of Pepperdine University and Seaver College and address the following areas in their response.

- A consistent pattern of support for generally accepted Christian values and the mission of Pepperdine University.
- Active participation in a community of faith.
- Either current practice or vision for integrating faith and learning in the classroom.

Two to three pages maximum length is requested.

A background check is required as a condition of employment. Any inquiries about this position should be sent to: Dr. Matt Joyner, Associate Professor of Biochemistry (matt.joyner@pepperdine.edu).