Professor - College of Sciences, Chemistry

Location: San Antonio, TX

Regular/Temporary: Regular

Job ID: 10724

Full/Part Time: Part Time

Position Information

The Department of Chemistry in the College of Sciences (COS) at the University of Texas at San Antonio (UTSA) invites applications for the Rita and John Feik Distinguished University Chair in Medicinal Chemistry starting in Fall 2024.

The University of Texas at San Antonio (UTSA)

As the third-largest of nine academic universities within The University of Texas System, UTSA is a leading public https://hispanicserving.utsa.edu/, Carnegie R1 University deeply committed to student success and academic excellence. UTSA specializes in health, cybersecurity, fundamental futures, and human-social development, reflected in its urban-serving mission. UTSA fosters an innovation ecosystem that is accelerating transdisciplinary research through public and private strategic partnerships, home to a myriad of cross-disciplinary research centers and institutes along with research core facilities, and a robust system of research development to create discovery that enables innovative and cutting-edge work. With over 34,000 students supported by more than 1,400 faculty and 5,600 staff and student employees, it is the largest university in the San Antonio metropolitan and South Texas region. As one of the few universities designated as both Hispanic Serving Institution and a R1 University, UTSA is committed to both learning and discovery. UTSA is focused on advancing the educational success of many first-generation, low income, underserved, transfer, Veteran, adult learners and international students by a faculty
and academic experience second to none. UTSA is focused on promoting social and Economic prosperity for our region, where 63% of its students come from San Antonio and South Texas. More than two thirds of UTSA students come from groups traditionally underserved by higher education (with more than half of the student body identifying as Hispanic) and about half of UTSA students are the first in their families to attend a college or university. Additionally, transfer students comprise about 40% of UTSA's total undergraduate population. Further enhancing the already rich mosaic of our student population is UTSA's military community, which makes up approximately 15% of total students and includes active-duty military members, veterans, reserves/guard, and their spouses and dependents. For more information about UTSA, please visit https://www.utsa.edu/about/.

The College of Sciences

With a focus on innovation and excellence through research in the classroom, the https://www.utsa.edu/sciences/ is dedicated to producing the next generation of forward-thinking, highly trained professionals and leaders. COS is devoted to providing an environment that ensures that all students receive the encouragement, assistance, and superior educational experience that they will need to succeed in the sciences, health and medicine, information technology, data science, and other ventures. For more information about the College of Sciences, please visit https://sciences.utsa.edu/

Department

The Department of Chemistry in the College of Sciences at the University of Texas at San Antonio (UTSA) has rapidly transformed into one of the premier chemistry programs in the state of Texas during the past decade with internationally renowned faculty and transdisciplinary scholars who are committed to defining the frontiers of the chemical sciences. Our faculty enjoy fruitful collaborations with colleagues at our partnering institutions here in San Antonio including UT Health San Antonio (UTHSA), Southwest Research Institute (SwRI), and Texas Biomedical Research Institute (TBRI). The Department consists of 19 tenure/tenure-track faculty members and offers undergraduate degrees in Chemistry and Biochemistry and graduate (MS and PhD) degrees in Chemistry, including a doctoral degree in Chemistry with an emphasis on Biochemistry. The Center for Innovative Drug Discovery (https://cidd.uthscsa.edu/), a collaboration with UT Health at San Antonio, working in concert with the Preclinical Pharmacology Core for Accelerated Drug Discovery, are operational linkages that facilitate discoveries. In addition, Department of Chemistry faculty have opportunities to
be involved in multiple centers and institutes along with access to world class user facilities.

- State-of-the-art [https://www.utsa.edu/sciences/research/facilities.html](https://www.utsa.edu/sciences/research/facilities.html) for high-throughput screening, medicinal chemistry, preclinical pharmacology, cell image analysis, biochemical signaling, genomics, epigenomics, proteomics, and pluripotent stem cell derivation and gene editing are available.

- The UTSA [https://www.utsa.edu/techsolutions/ResearchSupport/](https://www.utsa.edu/techsolutions/ResearchSupport/) (RSGC) provides access to high-performance computing (HPC) architecture for researchers on campus and facilitates use of the Texas Advanced Computing Center.

- The newly established [https://utsa-irm.org/](https://utsa-irm.org/) is a joint initiative from the Klesse College of Engineering and Integrative Design and the College of Sciences in conjunction with multiple entities throughout the San Antonio community combining academic, clinical, military, and biotechnological expertise to address grand challenges in regenerative medicine.

- The [https://www.utsa.edu/bhc/](https://www.utsa.edu/bhc/) (BHC) was established in 2019 as a university level center/institute with over 40 participating scientists working together to advance our basic understanding of the brain. The BHC promotes and supports cutting-edge, transdisciplinary, and collaborative research and connects basic and translational research.

- The [https://neuroscience.utsa.edu/Home.html](https://neuroscience.utsa.edu/Home.html) within the College of Sciences is a campus-wide community of researchers at UTSA engaged in discovering the neural bases of experience, behavior, and disease.

- The [https://research.utsa.edu/cores/KAMC/](https://research.utsa.edu/cores/KAMC/) (KAMC) core is open access facility that provides state-of-the-art technology in electron microscopy and advanced material characterization to support world-class research in nanotechnology, biology, chemistry, and materials sciences.

**Position Summary**

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Candidates will also be expected to synergize and benefit from the current drug discovery ecosystem that exist in San Antonio and across the state of Texas. The position is expected to be a senior level position (Full Professor) but outstanding applicants at the Associated Professor level are also encouraged to apply. Competitive recruitment packages, state-of-the-art research facilities, and modern laboratory space are available.

Qualifications

Candidates must have national visibility with a Ph.D. or equivalent degree and proven ability to direct an extramurally funded research program. The successful candidate will be required to teach courses in their field of expertise within or outside the department and must demonstrate their ability to work and be sensitive to the educational needs of diverse urban populations and support the University's commitment to thrive as a Hispanic Serving Institution and a model for student success.

Application Process

To apply applicants must upload the following in a single PDF document:

- A current curriculum vitae
- Complete contact information for at least three professional references
- A research statement (5-page limit)
- A teaching statement (2-page limit)

EEO/AA Statement

As an equal employment opportunity and affirmative action employer, it is the policy of The University of Texas at San Antonio to promote and ensure equal employment opportunity for all individuals regardless of race, color, religion, sex, gender identity, sexual orientation, national origin, age, disability or genetic information, and veteran status. The University is committed to the Affirmative Action Program in compliance with all government requirements to ensure nondiscrimination. Women, minorities, people
with disabilities and veterans are encouraged to apply. UTSA campuses are accessible to persons with disabilities.

Review of applications will begin October 15, 2023 and continue until position is filled.

This is a security sensitive position. Employment is contingent upon a successful background check.

Applicants selected must be able to show proof of eligibility to work in the United States upon time of hire.

Tenure is contingent upon Board of Regents approval, and applicants must show a demonstrated commitment.

To view the full job posting and apply for this position, go to https://aptrkr.com/4635345