Assistant Professor of Chemistry

Description
Washington and Lee University’s (W&L) Department of Chemistry & Biochemistry invites applications for a tenure-track Assistant Professor. Candidates with expertise in physical chemistry, biophysical chemistry, biochemistry, polymer chemistry, materials chemistry, environmental chemistry, or medicinal chemistry will be considered.

As stated in W&L’s Strategic Plan, we believe that a dynamic and inclusive community is an essential element of our success as an institution of higher learning. Continuing support of this environment requires that students and faculty from a wide range of backgrounds, cultures, and perspectives are brought together at W&L to learn, work, and thrive. Therefore, we especially encourage individuals who identify as part of a community that is underrepresented in academia and science to apply.

The successful candidate will be responsible for teaching a 5.5 course load that consists of some combination of teaching a one-term, introductory chemistry course/lab, 200- and 300-level courses/labs in the candidate’s area of expertise, and periodically a course for non-science majors that is part of W&L’s general education curriculum. Start-up funding commensurate with top liberal arts colleges will be provided by W&L to initiate and support an active research program involving undergraduate students. Such a program will be expected of the candidate.

Washington and Lee University is a highly selective, independent, co-educational, liberal arts college of approximately 1820 undergraduate students. We are located in Lexington, VA, about one-hour southwest of Charlottesville, VA, 45-minutes north of Roanoke, VA, and three-hours southwest of Washington, DC. W&L is annually ranked among the top 12 national liberal arts colleges, and the Department has ACS-certified programs in both chemistry and biochemistry.

Qualifications
A Ph.D. is required; postdoctoral experience is strongly recommended.

The university requires employees to become fully vaccinated for COVID-19, with one booster. New employees must provide proof of at least their first shot prior to the first day of employment. Individuals may seek a medical or a religious exemption to the vaccination requirement.

Application Instructions
Applicants should submit the following materials: 1) a cover letter that summarizes current scholarship, identifies plans for future scholarship, and discusses teaching interests and experience; 2) a curriculum vitae; 3) graduate and undergraduate transcripts; 4) a one- to two-page statement of teaching philosophy; 5) a two-to-three-page research statement (note that both your teaching and research statements should highlight your experience and plans for working with an increasingly diverse student population); 6) and three confidential letters of recommendation. Letter writers will contribute their materials directly via Interfolio.

To submit applications online, visit: http://apply.interfolio.com/110892

Review of applications will begin September 30, 2022 and will continue until the position is filled.
If you have questions about the position, please contact Dr. Matt Tuchler, Associate Professor, Chair of the Search Committee, Department of Chemistry and Biochemistry at tuchlerm@wlu.edu

**Equal Employment Opportunity Statement**
Washington and Lee is an Equal Opportunity Employer. As such, we are interested in candidates who are committed to high standards of scholarship, performance and professionalism and to the development of a campus climate that supports equality and diversity in our faculty, staff and student body. Job description requirements are representative, but not all-inclusive of the knowledge, skill, and abilities needed to successfully perform this job. Reasonable accommodations may be made to enable qualified individuals with disabilities to perform essential functions.

**Statement of Commitment to Diversity**
Washington and Lee affirms that diverse perspectives and backgrounds enhance our community. We are committed to the recruitment, enrichment, and retention of students, faculty, and staff who embody many experiences, cultures, points of view, interests, and identities. As engaged citizens in a global and diverse society, we seek to advance a positive learning and working environment for all through open and substantive dialogue.