Lecturer: Introductory Biology

University of Georgia

The Department of Genetics and the Division of Biological Sciences at the University of Georgia invite applications for a full-time Lecturer position in introductory biology starting August 1, 2021. This position is a 9-month, full-time instructional appointment with an academic home in the Department of Genetics. Responsibilities include instruction of three large-enrollment sections of introductory biology each semester. While of the main teaching responsibilities for this position will be an organismal biology course for non-science majors (BIOL 1104), the successful candidate should be able to teach all aspects of introductory biology for courses directed at non-science majors, science majors, and honors students.

The successful candidate will join a vibrant, dynamic, and forward-thinking group of faculty engaged in undergraduate biology instruction across life science departments, including several faculty who specialize in biology education research. The successful candidate will join the Department of Genetics, which includes faculty who span molecular, developmental, and evolutionary genetics, as well as bioinformatics and biology education research. The University of Georgia is also home to the SEER Center (Scientists Engaged in Education Research), which supports collaborations among scientists and educators across campus to improve undergraduate STEM instruction. Opportunities for professional development are available.

Competitive applicants will have a demonstrated interest in developing and teaching courses directed at non-science majors and should demonstrate expertise in undergraduate biology instruction for non-science and science majors as well as a commitment to evidence-based pedagogy. The ideal candidate will have a commitment to enhancing diversity and inclusivity and will bring demonstrated leadership and versatility in undergraduate biology instruction for different student populations. The Division of Biological Sciences is dedicated to supporting and enhancing diversity and inclusiveness and strongly encourages applications from candidates who will enrich that mission.

To apply for the position, candidates should submit the following materials to https://www.ugajobsearch.com/postings/183113

- Cover letter indicating suitability for the position
- Curriculum vitae
- 1 to 2-page teaching statement that addresses how the applicant has incorporated the National Academy/AAAS "Vision and Change" core concepts and competencies in their teaching
- 1-page diversity statement, explaining experience, professional skills, and vision that would enhance diversity and inclusivity (additional document #1)
- Contact information for three professional referees who are prepared to submit letters of recommendation

Applications received by March 14, 2021 will receive full consideration. Questions may be addressed to the Chair of the search committee, Dr. Kristen Miller (biochair@uga.edu) and the Head of Genetics, Dr. Nancy Manley (nmanely@uga.edu).

The University of Georgia is located in Athens, Georgia. The University's main campus is located in Athens, approximately 65 miles northeast of Atlanta. It is within an hour driving distance from the North Georgia Mountains and four hours from the Atlantic coast. Georgia is well known for its quality of life with both outdoor and urban activities. Athens enjoys a mild climate and yet still sees the benefits of the changing seasons. It is well known for its vibrant and evolving music scene, serving as the hometown of bands such as R.E.M., the B-52's, Widespread Panic, the Drive-By Truckers, of Montreal, and Futurebirds.

The Franklin College of Arts and Sciences, its many units, and the University of Georgia are committed to increasing the diversity of its faculty and students, and sustaining a work and learning environment that is inclusive. Women, minorities and people with disabilities are encouraged to apply. The University of Georgia is an Equal Opportunity/Affirmative Action employer. All qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to race, color, religion, sex, national origin, ethnicity, age, genetic information, disability, gender identity, sexual orientation or protected veteran status. Persons needing accommodations or assistance with the accessibility of materials related to this search are encouraged to contact Central HR (hrweb@uga.edu). Please do not contact the department or search committee with such requests.