

Position Available
Director
Center for Integrative Studies
Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics (CISSTEM)

The University of South Alabama invites applications for the Founding Director of its Center for Integrative Studies in STEM. A joint venture among the Colleges of Education, Arts & Sciences, and Engineering, CISSTEM is intended to promote action, research and innovative approaches to understanding learning in mathematics and science and the integration of educational practices in the teaching of science, technology, engineering and mathematics.

Applicants must have an earned doctorate and be eligible for appointment to the faculty in the College of Education at the rank of Associate for Full Professor, commensurate with previous experience and qualifications in one of the disciplines represented within the College. The successful applicant will have: an outstanding record of scholarly activity, including refereed publications and external funding; teaching and administrative experience at the university or school level; demonstrated ability to work collaboratively across colleges and in partnership with school districts and local business and community organizations; and excellent administrative, organizational, and interpersonal skills. Preference will be given to candidates who have a degree in one or more of the STEM disciplines.

Primary responsibilities include: providing leadership in the development and implementation of a vision for the Center; managing an active program of research and external funding for the Center; teaching undergraduate and graduate courses; developing innovative programs with post-secondary institutions, schools and businesses to improve math, science, and engineering education; leading recruitment and mentoring of STEM faculty; and service on department, college and university committees.

Application procedure: Initial review of applications will begin November 28, 2011 and will continue until the position is filled. Starting date for the appointment is anticipated to be January 1, 2012 but no later than August 15, 2012. To ensure full consideration please submit a letter of application addressed to the qualifications, including a vision statement for the Center, a curriculum vitae, reprints of three publications, and names, office addresses, email addresses and phone numbers of three professional references. Official transcripts and three current letters of recommendation will be required of individuals invited to campus for an interview. Send all application materials to CISSTEM Search Committee, College of Education, University Commons 3600, University of South Alabama, Mobile, AL 36688-0002. Inquiries should be directed to Dr. Agnes Smith at telephone (251) 380-2734 or email: aesmith@usouthal.edu.

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