

**Joan M. Sinnott Chair of Psychology  
University of South Alabama**

The Psychology Department at the University of South Alabama invites applications for the Joan M. Sinnott Chair of Psychology. This unique, full-time (9 month), open-rank tenure-track position, funded by a private endowment and including funds for a graduate student, begins August 15, 2018. This position requires a Ph.D. in Psychology or related discipline. Preference will be given to candidates with an established program of research in comparative psychology of speech, language, and communication. Researchers working on appropriate animal model systems, such as bird song, are especially encouraged to apply.

Position responsibilities include teaching undergraduate and graduate courses, maintaining an active research program, mentoring graduate students through the Behavior and Brain Sciences (BBS) M.S. degree program, and providing service to the department, College, and University. The successful candidate will serve as a member of the BBS graduate program faculty, which currently consists of seven members, representing behavior-genetics, biological psychology, cognitive psychology, developmental psychology, physiological psychology, social-personality psychology, and teaching psychology. The BBS program is collegial and strives to foster a spirit of creativity and collaboration among its faculty and students. A primary goal of this search is to find someone who will contribute to this positive collegial environment.

The University of South Alabama (USA) is located in Mobile, Alabama, along the Gulf Coast and in a region that is sure to please admirers of Nature. Renowned naturalist and Mobile native E.O. Wilson has described Mobile as an “American Amazon” because of its rich biodiversity. The area offers a wealth of outdoor activities, and the campus is about an hour away from beaches and about two hours away from New Orleans. USA enrolls over 15,500 students in more than 100 academic programs and includes an on-campus medical school. The Psychology Department is comprised of 15 full-time faculty and two graduate programs: the BBS program and an APA-accredited Ph.D. program in Clinical and Counseling Psychology. Significant opportunities for collaboration exist with faculty in both programs.

Interested applicants should email a (1) cover letter, (2) CV, and (3) description of research and teaching interests/experience to the Josh Foster, BBS Search Committee Chair, at [foster@southalabama.edu](mailto:foster@southalabama.edu) (please put all documents in PDF format). Following a review of these materials, select candidates will be asked to have three letters of recommendation sent to Josh Foster and to arrange to have official undergraduate and graduate transcripts mailed by the granting institutions to Josh Foster.

Review of applications will begin immediately and continue until the position is filled.

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