

Full-time Instructional Positions in Chemistry University of South Alabama

The Department of Chemistry at the University of South Alabama (USA) invites applications for two full-time, non-tenure-track instructional positions to begin August 15, 2026. The successful candidates must have a Master's Degree in Chemistry or a closely-related discipline (for consideration for the rank of Instructor) or Ph.D. in Chemistry or a closely-related discipline (for consideration for the rank of Assistant Professor of Instruction). Proficiency in spoken and written English is required. One position will be a 9-month Assistant Professor of Instruction. The second position will be either a 9-month Assistant Professor of Instruction or a 9- or 12-month Instructor. Expectations for these positions include teaching, service, and student advising, with pedagogical development and/or disciplinary research expected for Assistant Professors of Instruction. Primary instructional responsibilities will be in General Chemistry and Organic Chemistry labs and lectures and possibly in upper-division courses in the candidate's area of expertise. Candidates with teaching experience or qualifications in Biochemistry are especially encouraged to apply. The successful candidate must be able to work legally in the United States. Candidates with Ph.D. degrees will be considered for the rank of Assistant Professor of Instruction unless they specifically request otherwise.

The University of South Alabama is a comprehensive, public institution of approximately 14,000 students located on the Gulf Coast in Mobile, Alabama. The Department of Chemistry offers an ACS-certified B.S. degree in Chemistry and a B.S. degree in Chemistry with Biochemistry emphasis. Information on the Department can be found at <http://www.southalabama.edu/chemistry>.

At USA, you will be part of a dynamic teaching environment with the opportunity to teach courses at a variety of levels. Our majors will have career aspirations that range from landing a job at a local chemical plant to teaching high school science or to furthering their education in professional or graduate schools. Over the past several years, approximately one-third of our Chemistry majors have entered the work force upon graduation, another third have gone on to graduate schools, and the remaining third have been admitted to professional schools (medical, dental, etc.).

Review of applications will begin on April 1, 2026, and continue until the positions are filled.

To Apply: Please apply via submission of a single PDF file containing, in this order: a letter of application, current curriculum vitae, copies of unofficial transcripts from all colleges or universities from which degrees have been earned, statement of teaching philosophy (maximum 3 pages), and contact information (email, telephone, and postal mail) for three professional references. Statements of teaching philosophy should address the courses you are qualified to teach, how you plan to approach your teaching responsibilities both in and out of the classroom and laboratory as well as the styles in which you are comfortable teaching. All application materials must be sent electronically to the Search Committee Chairperson, Dr. Richard Sykora, at the following email address: rsykora@southalabama.edu. References may be contacted at any time after an application is received, and candidates selected for on campus interviews must arrange to have all official graduate and undergraduate transcripts sent directly by the registrars of all colleges and universities attended to the Search Committee Chair.

Applications, questions, or inquiries should be directed to Dr. Richard Sykora, Search Committee Chair, at chemfacultysearch@southalabama.edu.

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