

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH, KINESIOLOGY, AND SPORT ASSISTANT PROFESSOR OF EXERCISE SCIENCE – TENURE TRACK POSITION AVAILABLE AUGUST 15, 2022

THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH, KINESIOLOGY, AND SPORT in the College of Education and Professional Studies at the University of South Alabama is seeking applicants for a full-time tenure-track academic appointment (9-month) in Exercise Science at the rank of Assistant Professor.

THE UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH ALABAMA is a diverse and vibrant public university that is making a difference in the lives of the people of Alabama and the nation through teaching, research, service and health care. The University offers a wide range of high-quality undergraduate and graduate academic programs to over 14,000 students. Located in the city of Mobile, USA is a major public institution of higher learning on the upper Gulf Coast.

THE COLLEGE OF EDUCATION AND PROFESSIONAL STUDIES is one of nine colleges and schools that serves approximately 2,000 graduate and undergraduate students. The College supports a broad array of degree programs across five departments and is nationally accredited by the National Council for the Accreditation of Teacher Education and our educator preparation programs are accredited by the Alabama State Department of Education. Counseling programs in the college are accredited by the Council for Accreditation of Counseling and Related Educational Programs (CACREP). The College of Education and Professional Studies is committed to creating and sustaining an inclusive environment where every student's unique identity is valued and respected, and in which students feel safe to explore their intellectual, interpersonal and professional development in order to serve competently in a multicultural world.

THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH, KINESIOLOGY, AND SPORT currently has 11 full-time tenure track faculty, 4 non-tenure track instructional faculty, 3 staff members, 10 graduate assistants, and over 600 students. The Department offers undergraduate programs in Exercise Science, Health and Physical Education, Sport Management and Recreation Studies, Recreational Therapy, and Health Promotion. Graduate programs include Exercise Science, Health and Physical Education, Health Promotion, and Sport Management. The Department is home to the Exercise and Nutrition Research Group at the University of South Alabama (ENRG USA) which is comprised of a cluster of well-equipped, collaborative laboratories capable of supporting a wide array of exercise- and nutrition-related research, teaching, community outreach, and service-learning activities. Current laboratory capabilities include equipment for body composition (DXA, 3D scanner, BIA/BIS, hydrostatic weighing), neuromuscular (Biodex dynamometer, EMG, nerve stimulation, force plate), cardiovascular (NIRS, ultrasound, blood flow restriction cuffs, EKG), metabolic/pulmonary (metabolic cart with exercise and REE capability, spirometry), and biochemical/molecular (rtPCR system, microplate reader, pipetting robot, electrophoresis, freezers) assessments. An assortment of other equipment is available for exercise testing including cycle ergometers (Velotron, Monark), treadmills, a fully equipped collegiate weight room. and other basic exercise and laboratory equipment

THE RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE POSITION are consistent with those of a full-time tenure track academic appointment (9-month) at the rank of Assistant Professor. Responsibilities include teaching undergraduate and graduate courses in the exercise science core as assigned by the Department Chair; conducting, publishing, and presenting research; seeking external funding; providing academic advisement; supervising student internship experiences; participating in curriculum development;

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collaborating with faculty; and providing service to the Department, College, and University. The successful applicant must display the ability to employ effective teaching practices, provide experiential student learning opportunities, and engage in program-related community engagement.

REQUIRED QUALIFICATIONS include an earned doctorate in Exercise Science, Kinesiology, or a closely related discipline. ABDs near completion of the degree will be considered. Candidates should have demonstrated skills and/or experience in teaching, research, and service with the ideal candidate complementing our existing programs and faculty and have the ability to work effectively in a research team.

DESIRED QUALIFICATIONS for the position are applicants with publications and/or experience in conducting research exploring adaptations to exercise training. Experience conducting studies involving exercise combined with nutrition or dietary supplement interventions is desired. Competency in phlebotomy procedures and basic wet lab techniques (ELISA, PCR, electrophoresis) is highly desired. Demonstrated leadership activities and/or certifications from ACSM, NSCA, ISSN or other related organizations are preferred. Preference will be given to candidates whose research complements the existing strengths of ENRG USA. Broadly, current initiatives/projects include the examination of cardiovascular, biochemical, neuromuscular, and body composition related changes to various exercise and nutrition interventions.

A COMPLETE APPLICATION includes: emailing (1) a cover letter of interest to include a description of research and teaching interests/experiences and a description of how the applicant would contribute to the development of a diverse and inclusive learning community at the University of South Alabama through her/his teaching, research, and/or service; (2) a curriculum vita that includes name, affiliation, and contact information of three references; and (3) copies of unofficial graduate and undergraduate transcripts to Ms. Dana Burleson, Administrative Assistant, College of Education and Professional Studies at <u>dburleson@southalabama.edu</u>. Please arrange and save all documents in PDF format as one file in the following order: cover letter, CV, and graduate and undergraduate transcripts. In the subject line indicate "Exercise Science Faculty Search." Inquiries about the position should be directed to Dr. Geoffrey Hudson at (251) 461-1620 or email: <u>ghudson@southalabama.edu</u>.

Following the review of materials, applicants invited for a campus interview will arrange to have submitted three signed original letters of recommendation and official graduate and undergraduate transcripts from all degree granting institutions attended sent directly to Dana Burleson, College of Education and Professional Studies, University of South Alabama, UCOM 3600, 307 University Blvd., N., Mobile, AL 36688-0002 or <u>dburleson@southalabama.edu</u>. Review of applications will begin immediately and will continue until the position is filled.

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