



UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH ALABAMA

ASSISTANT/ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR OF RECREATIONAL THERAPY

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH, KINESIOLOGY, AND SPORT COLLEGE OF EDUCATION AND PROFESSIONAL STUDIES

THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH, KINESIOLOGY, AND SPORT invites applications for a nine-month, tenure-track Assistant or Associate Professor faculty position in Recreational Therapy with a start date of August 15, 2022. The Department currently has 11 full-time tenure track faculty, 4 non-tenure track instructional faculty, 3 staff members, 10 graduate assistants, and over 600 students. Undergraduate program offerings include Exercise Science, Health and Physical Education, Health Promotion, Sport Management and Recreation Studies, and Recreational Therapy. Graduate programs include Exercise Science, Health and Physical Education, Health Promotion, and Sport Management. We seek a team member who complements our interdisciplinary faculty.

POSITION RESPONSIBILITIES include undergraduate course instruction in recreational therapy and health related core subjects; directing student research and internship experiences; providing academic advisement; engaging in scholarly research and publication; presenting research at professional association meetings; pursuing external funding; participating in curriculum development and initiatives related to accreditation, assessment of learning outcomes, and student recruitment and retention; and engaging in professional and community service.

REQUIRED QUALIFICATIONS include an earned doctorate in Recreational Therapy or Therapeutic Recreation; Recreation, Park, and Leisure Studies; or a closely related discipline. ABDs near completion of the degree will be considered. If the terminal degree is not in Recreational Therapy or Therapeutic Recreation, a master's degree or cognate/concentration in Recreational Therapy or Therapeutic Recreation is required. Eligibility or current credentials from the National Council on Therapeutic Recreation Certification (NCTRC) is required. At the rank of Associate Professor, the successful candidate will have demonstrated a consistent and ongoing record of scholarship and extramural funding, and/or demonstrated experience in providing program leadership.

DESIRED QUALIFICATIONS include professional work experience and/or demonstrated ability to work collaboratively with diverse communities. Proficiency in at least one area in aquatic therapy, gerontology, physical rehabilitation, behavioral health, adapted sports, adventure therapy, or youth development is desired.

THE UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH ALABAMA is a comprehensive public university internationally recognized for educational, research, and health care excellence that is making a difference in the lives of the people of Alabama and the nation. The University offers a wide range of high-quality undergraduate and graduate academic programs to 14,000 students. Located in the city of Mobile Alabama, 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



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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.

INTERESTED APPLICANTS should email (1) a cover letter of interest to include a narrative of teaching, research, and service 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; (2) a curriculum vita (CV) 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 dburleson@southalabama.edu. Arrange all documents into one single PDF document to include cover letter, CV, and graduate and undergraduate transcripts. In the subject line indicate "Recreational Therapy Faculty Search." Inquiries about the position should be directed to Dr. Caitlyn Hauff at (251) 460 - 7698 or email: chauff@southalabama.edu.

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 sent directly by the Registrars of all degree granting institutions attended to Ms. Dana Burleson, College of Education and Professional Studies, University of South Alabama, UCOM 3600, 307 North University Blvd., Mobile, AL 36688-0002 or dburleson@southalabama.edu. Review of applications will begin immediately and will continue until the position is filled.

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