

**Department Chair of Music
University of South Alabama**

The Department of Music at the University of South Alabama invites applications for the position of Department Chair to begin August 15, 2018. The successful candidate must have a Ph.D. or D.M.A. in Music and currently hold the rank of Associate Professor or Professor at a regionally accredited four-year institution.

The Department of Music is seeking a strong leader who can be a passionate advocate for the students, faculty and staff of the Department of Music, the College of Arts and Sciences, and the University of South Alabama. The successful candidate will need to provide excellent oversight of accreditation and certification processes (the department is an accredited member of NASM), implement assessment plans and interpret assessment data, promote collegiality and faculty development, oversee complex budgetary needs, and handle facilities management for the program. The successful candidate will possess strong leadership skills, be goal-oriented, and promote a vision for the future of a growing, vital department. The ideal candidate will have a strong performance and/or research record, be committed to continued creative activity, show evidence of effective administrative skills, possess excellent interpersonal skills, have a record of excellent teaching and service, and provide leadership in the areas of recruitment, curriculum development, and external funding. The successful candidate will be expected to build upon the department's current strengths, while providing vision and leadership for future growth and evolution.

Responsibilities: Administrative duties of the department chair. Teach courses in area of expertise. Contribute to the scholarly advancement of the field through research and/or creative activities. Serve on department, college and university committees.

The Institution: Located in a metropolitan area of 500,000, the University of South Alabama offers educational opportunities for the residents of the greater Mobile area, as well as the surrounding Northern Gulf Coast region. With over 15,500 students, USA is one of the fastest growing universities in Alabama, and offers many diverse and nationally recognized programs.

The Department of Music is a unit of the College of Arts and Sciences and is made up of 17 full-time and approximately 14 part-time faculty members. The department offers a Bachelor of Music with concentrations in Music Education (Instrumental or Vocal), Performance (Instrumental or Vocal), Music Business, and Specific Outside Fields; there are approximately 125 undergraduate majors. It also offers a Master of Music with concentrations in Music Education, Performance, and Collaborative Keyboard, with approximately 8-12 graduate majors.

Review of Applications will begin December 1, 2017, and continue until the position is filled.

Address inquiries to Dr. Lars Tatom, Chair of the Department of Theatre & Dance and Chair of the Search Committee, at tatom@southalabama.edu. Applications must be filed electronically and should include a letter of application, a curriculum vitae, and a personal statement of administrative vision. Applications can be submitted here: <https://www.governmentjobs.com/careers/usouthal/jobs/1869947>

In addition, arrange to have official transcripts from all colleges and/or universities attended, and arrange to have three letters of recommendation sent (sent directly by the referees) to Dr. Tatom, Search Chair, at this address:

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