



FACULTY EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

DEPARTMENT OF PSYCHOLOGY

Permanent Full-Time Position (Tenure-Track)

Assistant Professor

Starting 2011-2012 Academic Year

(Fall Semester Begins Mid-August 2011)

Refer to 103218 on all correspondence and inquiries regarding this position.

The Psychology Department in the College of Social Sciences is seeking a full-time tenure-track Assistant Professor in Developmental or Cognitive Psychology to begin August 2011.

THE UNIVERSITY

Sonoma State University is one of the 23 campuses of the California State University. Located in the Sonoma County wine country, 48 miles north of San Francisco, the University has an enrollment of approximately 7,500 students. As of fall 2009, the University had 501 faculty with 54% tenure track. The University is comprised of six schools: Arts and Humanities, Business and Economics, Education, Extended Education, Social Sciences and Science and Technology. Degrees are offered in 46 majors at the bachelor's level, 15 at the master's level, and 9 teaching credential programs. Sonoma State University occupies 269 acres in the beautiful wine country of Sonoma County, in Northern California. Located at the foot of the Sonoma hills, the campus is just an hour's drive north of San Francisco and 40 minutes from the Pacific Ocean.

THE DEPARTMENT: The Psychology Department is one of the largest majors on campus with approximately 550 full-time and part-time students. It is one of the few psychology departments in the United States that is guided by humanistic, existential, and transpersonal perspectives. A wide range of research and scholarly activities are pursued, in areas such as clinical, social, developmental, cross-cultural, health and performance, and depth psychology. The Department offers a variety of undergraduate courses including adult and child development, counseling, social science research methods, expressive arts, ecopsychology, and body/mind modalities. It also offers a professional biofeedback training sequence, a wide variety of community internships, a Gerontology minor and certificate program, and Master's programs in Depth Psychology. Although most of our graduates enter careers directly following their Bachelor's degree, many students go on to graduate work in clinical and counseling psychology, social work and education, and other psychological disciplines. Applicants are encouraged to refer to the department's Web site (<http://www.sonoma.edu/psychology/>) for more information.

DUTIES OF THE POSITION: Teaching responsibilities include three undergraduate courses each semester. Depending on the needs of the department and the applicant's areas of expertise, the selected candidate will teach courses in areas of developmental psychology (e.g., child, adolescent, adult and late-life development, lifespan, family, child clinical, applied developmental) or cognitive psychology (e.g., cognition, cognitive neuroscience, learning). In addition to relevant existing courses, the successful candidate also may teach courses in the areas of his or her interest and expertise. Beyond teaching and maintaining an active program of scholarship, all faculty are expected to engage in undergraduate academic advising, department program assessment, department and campus-wide administrative and committee work, and community service.

QUALIFICATIONS: The successful candidate will have demonstrated effectiveness in undergraduate teaching and must have a doctoral degree in psychology or the area of expertise from an accredited university, and an active program of research or scholarship (with some record of publication and/or presentations at professional conferences). Candidates near completion of their doctoral degree (ABD) will be considered but doctoral degree must be completed by start of fall 2011. We expect new faculty to be well educated in their own area of expertise and be able to work collegially with other perspectives within the department. An understanding of and respect for humanistic and multicultural perspectives is a high priority. We strongly encourage applications from diverse candidates and candidates who support diversity. To be recommended for tenure, the candidate must demonstrate satisfactory performance in four areas: 1) teaching effectiveness; 2) research, scholarship or creative achievement; 3) service to the department and university; and 4) service to the community. Contract provisions specify that "the normal period of probation shall be a total of six (6) years of full-time probationary service and credited service, if any. Any deviation from the normal six (6) year probationary period shall be the decision of the President following his/her consideration of recommendations from the department or equivalent unit and appropriate administrator(s)." Tenure is required for promotion above the level of Associate Professor.

RANK and SALARY: Assistant Professor (\$56,000 to \$58,000). Actual hiring salary within this range is dependent upon educational preparation and experience.

APPLICATIONS: Applicants should electronically submit:

- Letter of application
- Curriculum vitae
- Full citations of major publications
- Unofficial graduate transcripts
- Contact information for three references
- Current teaching evaluation
- Research and philosophy of teaching statement
- Letters of recommendation - must be sent by email from the recommender or placement center

Sonoma State is required to collect and report race and ethnicity data to comply with State, Federal, and University reporting requirements. Please complete the [Voluntary Self-Identification Form](#)

Email all application documents to facultysearch@sonoma.edu

Please note attachments should be in Microsoft Word, Rich Text Format (RTF), or Portable Document Format (PDF). Official transcripts will be required at the time of hire

APPLICATION DEADLINE:

The search committee will review only applications sent by October 29, 2010.

Confirmations of applications received will not be sent until after September 13, 2010.

EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY: The University is an Equal Opportunity Employer and does not discriminate against persons on the basis of age, disability, disabled veteran or Vietnam-era veteran status, gender, marital status, national origin, race, religion, or sexual orientation

JEANNE CLEARY: The report also includes institutional policies concerning campus security, alcohol/drug use, crime prevention, reporting of crimes, sexual assault and other matters. You can obtain a

copy of this report by contacting Police and Parking Services at (707) 664-2143, or by accessing the Police and Parking Services web site.

Questions concerning this position may be directed to:

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Questions regarding **the application process** should be directed to facultysearch@sonoma.edu

103218 PLEASE REFER TO THIS NUMBER ON ALL CORRESPONDENCE AND INQUIRIES REGARDING THIS POSITION.

NOTE: Sonoma State University hires only individuals lawfully authorized to work in the United States. All offers of employment are contingent upon presentation of documents demonstrating the appointee's identity and eligibility to work, in accordance with the provisions of the Immigration Reform and Control Act.

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