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Assistant Professor of Aquaculture—Search #67508 College of Science and Mathematics / Biology – Armstrong Campus

The Department of Biology in the College of Science and Mathematics invites applications and nominations for the position of Assistant Professor of Aquaculture. This position is located on the Armstrong campus.

In January 2017, the University System of Georgia Board of Regents voted to consolidate Armstrong State University and Georgia Southern University. The new, 27,000-student university will be named Georgia Southern University with campuses in Savannah, Statesboro, and Hinesville. The expected timeline for the first entering class will be fall 2018. Complete details are available at <http://consolidation.georgiasouthern.edu/>.

Within this setting, the Department of Biology at the Armstrong campus consists of a diverse faculty of teacher-scholars who excel at providing transformative experiences to students. Our faculty are highly committed to engaging students in academic and research pursuits in and out of the classroom. Our facilities and instrumentation include a greenhouse, herbarium, 3D printer, and next generation sequencer and the faculty have access to instrumentation and facilities available at the Statesboro campus. The department collaborates with the College's Forum Sustainable Aquaponics Research Center (SARC), a joint venture between the College and the Forum Foundation that integrates aquaculture with hydroponics to support faculty and student research in aquaculture, hydroponic agriculture and sustainability. The department also has access to additional extensive aquaculture research facilities at the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service's Bo Ginn National Fish Hatchery in Millen, Georgia. Our faculty and students thrive as life-long learners in the incredible natural research setting of south Georgia, which includes the coastal plain, the sea islands and the communities of Savannah, Statesboro and Hinesville. The department has been inspired by the recommendations of "Vision and Change in Undergraduate Education: A Call to Action" (<http://visionandchange.org>). Applicants should articulate how their teaching philosophy and research program align with those recommendations.

Position Description. Reporting to the department chair, the Assistant Professor of Aquaculture will demonstrate excellence in teaching, an ability to initiate and maintain a productive, externally funded research program involving undergraduate students, a commitment to mentoring and advising a diverse student body, service responsibilities, and earned doctorate degree. Teaching duties will include introductory courses that are commensurate with the applicant's experience and interests and the opportunity to develop upper-division biology electives in their area of expertise. It is expected that the successful candidate's research will utilize the College's SARC facilities on campus. The position is an academic 9-month, tenure-track appointment, and the salary is competitive and commensurate with qualifications and experience.

Required Qualifications:

- Earned doctorate in aquaculture, fisheries sciences, aquatic sciences, or a closely related field by December 31, 2017
- Commitment to teaching excellence
- Demonstrated excellence in aquaculture research
- Potential to attract extramural funding
- Broad research interest in aquaculture and further interests in the opportunity to blend this knowledge with hydroponic agriculture and utilize the College's SARC facilities
- Commitment to serve a diverse student body

Preferred Qualifications:

- Postdoctoral teaching and/or research experience
- Student-centered research and/or teaching experience
- Evidence of successful grantsmanship

Screening of applications begins February 15, 2018, and continues until the position is filled. The preferred position starting date is August 1, 2018. A complete application consists of a letter addressing the qualifications cited above; a curriculum vitae; and the names, addresses, telephone numbers, and email addresses of at least three professional references. Other documentation may be requested. Only complete applications submitted electronically will be considered. Finalists will be required to submit to a background investigation. Applications and nominations should be sent to:

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More information about the institution is available through <http://www.georgiasouthern.edu> or <https://www.armstrong.edu/academic-departments/department-of-biology>. Georgia Southern University seeks to recruit individuals who are committed to working in diverse academic and professional communities and who are committed to excellence in teaching, scholarship, and professional service within the University and beyond. The names of applicants and nominees, vitae, and other non-evaluative information may be subject to public inspection under the Georgia Open Records Act. Georgia Southern University is an Affirmative Action, Equal Opportunity institution. Individuals who need reasonable accommodations under the ADA to participate in the search process should contact the Vice Provost.

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