Assistant Professor of Special Education—Search #67650
College of Education, Department of Elementary and Special Education

The Department of Elementary and Special Education in the College of Education invites applications and nominations for the position of Assistant Professor of Special Education. This position is located on the Statesboro campus, but may require teaching on the other campuses.

Georgia Southern University is the state’s largest and most comprehensive center of higher education south of Atlanta. With 141 degree programs at the associate’s, bachelor’s, master’s, and doctoral levels, Georgia Southern is designated a Carnegie Doctoral/Research university and serves more than 27,000 students on three vibrant campuses—the Armstrong campus in Savannah, the Statesboro campus, and the Liberty campus in Hinesville. Georgia Southern offers an attractive campus environment that encourages learning, discovery, and personal growth. Nationally accredited academic programs prepare diverse scholars for leadership and service as working citizens.

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Within this setting, the College of Education offers undergraduate and graduate programs to prepare students for work in public education, community agencies, and higher education. The Department of Elementary and Special Education is committed to preparing educators who work collaboratively with public school partners, who are dedicated to preparing teacher candidates to work effectively with diverse populations of students, who prepare teacher candidates to be reflective educators, and who use current research to inform their educational practices. The College of Education is accredited by the Georgia Professional Standards Commission and the National Council for Accreditation of Teacher Education.

Position Description. Reporting to the Chair of the Department of Elementary and Special Education, the Assistant Professor of Special Education position requires teaching undergraduate and graduate courses in special education; supervising field-based experiences in person and online; working in partnerships with area schools; modeling effective teaching practices; using instructional technology; scholarship and performing service within the department, college, university, and community. The position is a 10-month, tenure-track appointment, and the salary is competitive and commensurate with qualifications and experience.

Required Qualifications:
- Earned doctorate in Special Education, or a closely related field, by August 1, 2019
- Minimum of 18 graduate semester hours in special education coursework
- Minimum of three years of full-time teaching experience in grades P-12
• A focused program of research and scholarship related to special education
• Must be authorized to work in the United States for the duration of employment without assistance from the institution

Preferred Qualifications:
• Experience working with a diverse faculty and student body
• Demonstrated effectiveness in using technology in instruction
• Experience teaching online courses
• Experience in the supervision of student teachers and/or practicum students
• Experience with school-university partnerships, Professional Learning Communities, and/or Professional Development Schools
• Involvement in professional educational organizations at the local, state, or national levels
• Knowledge of and experience with edTPA
• Experience in teaching special education mathematics methods

Screening of applications begins November 15, 2018, and continues until the position is filled. The preferred position starting date is August 1, 2019. 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. All materials must be combined and submitted as a single PDF file. Other documentation may be requested. Only complete applications submitted electronically will be considered. Finalists will be required to submit to a background investigation.

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