FACULTY EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

DEPARTMENT OF KINESIOLOGY

(Tenure-Track) Assistant Professor
Area: Motor Development
Starting August 2019

Refer to #104698 on all correspondence and inquiries regarding this position.

OUR COMMITMENT

Guided by our core values, Sonoma State University offers an exceptional educational experience that fosters intellectual, cognitive, social, and personal growth. As the only member of the Council of Public Liberal Arts Colleges in California, we are uniquely positioned to foster ethical exploration, civic engagement, social responsibility, and global awareness combined with a solid foundation in an academic discipline. We have a strong commitment to graduating students who have the ability to think critically and communicate effectively in an ever-changing world. The unique campus culture fosters our Seawolf Commitment to integrity, respect, excellence, and responsibility and is integrated into all campus life. We nurture inclusive excellence through a celebration of the rich diversity of our local communities and our interconnected global economy. Members of the University community are expected to work effectively with faculty, staff, and students from diverse ethnic, cultural, and socioeconomic backgrounds. SSU is especially interested in candidates who make contributions to equity and inclusion in the pursuit of excellence in teaching, scholarship, and service.

THE UNIVERSITY

Sonoma State University’s beautiful 274-acre campus is located in Sonoma County wine country, an hour north of San Francisco. The campus offers the ideal setting for teaching and learning and access to a community of rich cultural, environmental, and recreational opportunities. Founded in 1960, Sonoma State University is one of the 23 campuses of the California State University System. As members of the largest public higher educational system in the nation, we provide accessible, high quality education to more than 9000 students. Sonoma State University is proud to be a Hispanic Serving Institution committed to achieving the goals of equal opportunity and endeavors to employ faculty and staff reflecting the ethnic and cultural diversity of the region and state.

FACULTY RESPONSIBILITIES

In addition to teaching and scholarship, faculty are expected to engage in service to the department, school, and community. Sonoma State is committed to the Teacher/Scholar model and places an emphasis on faculty support of undergraduate research. Faculty are also encouraged to participate in our distinctive, high-impact Freshman and Sophomore year programs and to foster our commitment to the CSU Graduation Initiative 2025 through excellent teaching, advising, and mentoring. Potential applicants are encouraged to review the University’s Reappointment, Tenure and Promotion Policy. All faculty are required to have the ability to work effectively in a multicultural environment.
THE DEPARTMENT

The Department of Kinesiology at Sonoma State is housed within the School of Science & Technology and offers a cross-disciplinary curriculum that addresses human movement across the life span from sociocultural, biological/physical, behavioral, and humanistic perspectives, with attention given to the unique and common needs of all people in a wide variety of contexts and conditions. The recently revised curriculum prepares graduates to apply kinesiological principles to the acquisition, performance, and refinement of motor skills and to the use of physical activity as an educative tool and a medium for health promotion, personal well-being, and participation in an active life style.

In conjunction with the broader educational mission of the University, the kinesiology major program prepares students to lead and participate in a modern complex society and to assume multiple roles throughout their lifetimes. Graduates acquire knowledge and experiences that prepare them to pursue lifelong learning, advanced study, and/or careers in such areas as teaching, coaching, adapted physical education, allied health fields, health and fitness industries, sport industries, or exercise and movement science. To achieve this mission, the kinesiology major provides students with a well-structured set of curricular and co-curricular experiences and the mentorship to derive a sound education from the University experience.

The Department offers a Bachelor of Science degree with three concentrations of study: Exercise Science/pre-PT; Interdisciplinary/pre-OT, and Lifetime Fitness & Wellness.

To promote academic excellence, the Department actively recruits students from a range of backgrounds, including but not limited to local community college students, first generation college students, dual language learners/students, and Pell eligible individuals.

DUTIES OF THE POSITION

Primary teaching responsibility will be Lifespan Motor Development. Additional teaching responsibilities may include research methods, movement for diverse populations, foundations of kinesiology, and fitness and wellness. The candidate will have the opportunity to contribute to other courses or develop new courses, which could include an offering in their area of specialization.

Additional responsibilities include developing a line of research, writing grant proposals and/or other scholarly activities; advising students; assisting the department with administrative and committee work; serving on campus-wide committees; and actively participating in professional organizations in kinesiology or related fields.

PROFESSIONAL QUALIFICATIONS

To be recommended for appointment, the candidate must have:

- PhD in Kinesiology - or closely related field - with expertise in Motor Development
- Broad and balanced view of the discipline of Kinesiology, valuing knowledge of human movement across the life span from socio-cultural, biological and aesthetic perspectives
- Ability to work collaboratively with faculty, staff and students.
- Evidence of successful teaching at the university level
- Documented engagement or work with diverse student populations
Research experience with undergraduate students
Evidence of scholarly publications or other scholarly activity

Preferred qualifications:
- Socio-cultural approach to teaching and conducting research in Motor Development
- Ability to teach qualitative and quantitative research methods

RANK AND SALARY

Salary and service credit depends upon academic preparation and professional experience. The salary for this position is $74,200.

HOW TO APPLY

To apply for this position, go to www.sonoma.edu/jobs and select Job Opportunities. If you are not currently employed at Sonoma State University, select the External Applicants box. You will be redirected to a list of all available jobs at Sonoma State University. Find and select the faculty position you are applying for to view the description and select Apply Now. If you have not applied for a job at Sonoma State University previously you will be asked to Register Now in order to proceed. After submitting the application letter and curriculum vitae, please proceed to My Career Tools to attach the additional required documents. Your statement of research interests may be a statement of scholarship and/or creative activity if appropriate to your discipline. PDFs are the preferred format for all submissions. Once you have submitted all materials, a confirmation email will be automatically sent to you. If you encounter difficulties during the application process, please email facultysearch@sonoma.edu. Applications submitted to the faculty search email address will not be considered, so please use the www.sonoma.edu/jobs link above.

Please submit:

Required
- Application letter that includes: Research interests, Teaching Philosophy and experiences with diversity in your research, teaching or service, and your potential to support SSU’s commitment to diversity
- Curriculum vitae including three (3) references to be contacted by committee members

Additional Required Documents
- Student Evaluations (if available)

Letters of Recommendation will be requested from finalists only. Official transcripts may be required at the time of hire.

Sonoma State University hires only individuals lawfully authorized to work in the United States. We are unable to sponsor any international candidates for this cycle. 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. A background check (including a criminal records check) must be completed satisfactorily before any candidate can be offered a position with the CSU.

APPLICATION DEADLINE

Revised 7/2018
Applications received by November 16, 2018 will be given full consideration. The position will remain open until filled.

Questions concerning this position may be directed to:

Dr. Lauren Morimoto, Chair, Motor Development Search Committee
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Phone: 707-664-2479

Questions concerning the application process may be directed to: facultysearch@sonoma.edu.

#104698 PLEASE REFER TO THIS NUMBER ON ALL CORRESPONDENCE AND INQUIRIES REGARDING THIS POSITION.

OTHER INFORMATION

The university is an Affirmative Action/Equal Opportunity Employer. We consider qualified applicants for employment without regard to race, religion, color, national origin, ancestry, age, sex, gender, gender identity, gender expression, sexual orientation, genetic information, medical condition, disability, marital status, or protected veteran status.

This position is considered a “mandated reporter” under the California Child Abuse and Neglect Reporting Act and is required to comply with the requirements set forth in CSU Executive Order 1083 as a condition of employment.

View Benefits Summary

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