

Assistant Teaching Professor or Instructor of Forensic Science

School of Criminal Justice, Forensic Science and Security The University of Southern Mississippi, Hattiesburg

The School of Criminal Justice, Forensic Science and Security at The University of Southern Mississippi invites applications for a full-time, non-tenure-track Assistant Teaching Professor or Instructor of Forensic Science to begin in Fall 2025. The teaching load for the position is four classes per semester (Fall and Spring).

Special Instructions to Applicants

Applicants must complete an online application along with a letter of interest, statement of teaching philosophy and goals, current vita, and contact information for at least three professional references. To receive priority consideration, applications must be received by November 15, 2024. Official transcripts will be required prior to a campus interview.

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Job Summary

The School of Criminal Justice, Forensic Science and Security (CJFSS) is an interdisciplinary school that offers undergraduate degrees in Forensic Science (with emphasis areas in Anthropology, Biological Science, Chemistry and Biochemistry, and Criminal Justice), as well as undergraduate majors and minors in Criminal Justice, Juvenile Justice, and a minor in Security Studies. The school also offers a graduate program in Criminal Justice. The Forensic Science program educates students on the various forensic techniques used in the field and in laboratory settings. During their course of study, students can pursue coursework and laboratory experience in drug identification, serology and DNA, fingerprint analysis, crime scene documentation, firearms identification, arson and explosives investigation, and much more.

Primary Duties and Responsibilities

1. Teaching, advising and mentoring students at the university level.
2. Online and face-to-face course delivery and instruction.
3. Preparing and submitting syllabi, grades, and other required course documentation in a timely manner.
4. Engaging in scholarly and service activities commensurate with university, college, and school expectations.
5. Attending school, college and university meetings and recruitment events.

6. Organizing and managing laboratory activities.
7. Performing other duties as assigned.

Minimum Qualifications: Instructor of Forensic Science

- MS in Forensic Science or closely related discipline from an accredited university.
- Ability to teach effectively (both online and in traditional settings) at the university level in an undergraduate forensic science degree program.
- Ability to effectively engage in scholarly and service activities.
- Ability to effectively advise and mentor students.

Preferred Qualifications: Instructor of Forensic Science

- At least five years of professional experience in forensic science, criminal justice, public safety, or related field.
- Expertise and ability to teach in two or more of the following areas: digital forensics, firearms identification, arson and fire investigations, accident reconstruction, crime scene reconstruction, shooting reconstruction, bloodstain pattern analysis, forensic pathology, forensic entomology, or courtroom testimony.
- Teaching, mentoring and service experience at university level.
- Experience with online course delivery and instruction (Canvas Learning Management System).
- Ability to help students obtain internships in forensic laboratories or law enforcement agencies.

Minimum Qualifications: Assistant Teaching Professor

- Ph.D. in Forensic Science or a closely related discipline from an accredited university.
- Ability to teach effectively (both online and in traditional settings) at the university level in an undergraduate forensic science degree program.
- Ability to effectively engage in scholarly and service activities.
- Ability to effectively advise and mentor students.

Preferred Qualifications: Assistant Teaching Professor

- At least five years of professional experience in forensic science, criminal justice, public safety, or related field.
- Expertise and ability to teach in two or more of the following areas: digital forensics, firearms identification, arson and fire investigations, accident reconstruction, crime scene reconstruction, shooting reconstruction, bloodstain pattern analysis, forensic pathology, forensic entomology, or courtroom testimony.
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About The University of Southern Mississippi

The University of Southern Mississippi (USM) is a comprehensive public research institution delivering transformative programs on campuses in Hattiesburg and Long Beach, at teaching and research sites in central and southern Mississippi, as well as online. Founded in 1910, USM is one of only 76 public universities in the nation to earn the Carnegie Foundation's "higher research activity" designation for doctoral universities, and its robust research enterprise includes experts in ocean science and engineering, polymer science and engineering, and sport venue safety and security, among others. USM is also one of only 40 institutions in the nation accredited in theatre, art and design, dance and music. As an economic driver, USM generates an annual economic impact of more than \$600 million across the state. USM welcomes a diverse student body of approximately 15,000, representing 71 countries, all 50 states, and every county in Mississippi. USM students have collected four Truman Scholarships and 35 National Science Foundation Graduate Research Fellowships, while also leading Mississippi with 21 Goldwater Scholarships, an honor that recognizes the next generation of great research scientists. Home to the Golden Eagles, USM competes in 17 Division I sports sponsored by the National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA). For more information, visit www.usm.edu.

As an Affirmative Action/Equal Employment Opportunity employer/Americans with Disabilities Act institution, The University of Southern Mississippi encourages minorities, women, veterans and persons with disabilities to apply.