University of South Alabama Department of Physical Therapy Faculty Position

THE DEPARTMENT OF PHYSICAL THERAPY in the Pat Capps Covey College of Allied Health Professions at the University of South Alabama invites applications for a 12-month, full-time, tenure-track appointment at the rank of Assistant or Associate Professor effective August 15, 2023.

RESPONSIBILITIES of the position include teaching graduate courses in physical therapy in the candidate's area of expertise; conducting, publishing, and presenting research; providing student advising and mentorship; contributing to student recruitment; collaborating with faculty; participating in curriculum development; and providing service to the Department, University, and community. The successful candidate must display effective teaching practices, provide experiential student learning opportunities, and engage in program-related student and community engagement.

REQUIRED QUALIFICATIONS include eligibility for physical therapy licensure in Alabama and an academic doctoral degree (Ph.D., Ed.D. or D.Sc.) in physical therapy or a related field. Applicants should have skills and/or experience in teaching, research, and service. Applicants must demonstrate the ability to establish and continue a line of scholarship with potential to secure external research funding. Rank will be commensurate with the applicant's credentials and experience in demonstrating a consistent and ongoing record of scholarship. At the rank of Associate Professor, candidates must provide evidence of an established research agenda (e.g., peer-reviewed publications, grants, etc.) and a history of effective teaching.

PREFERRED QUALIFICATIONS Two or more years of didactic teaching experience. Teaching and/or clinical expertise in musculoskeletal or pediatric physical therapy is preferred. Other areas of expertise will be considered.

THE DEPARTMENT OF PHYSICAL THERAPY at the University of South Alabama, with a 40+ year history, offers an accredited, well-established and highly respected entry-level DPT program. The academic program is developed, managed, and implemented by the Department's nine full-time core faculty members. The curriculum is delivered over eight continuous semesters using innovative teaching strategies, such as patient simulation and community-based service learning, that foster student engagement and clinical reasoning. Team teaching is utilized to promote delivery by faculty with content expertise. Innovative teaching and faculty development are supported through multiple university resources, including the USA Simulation Program, the Innovation in Learning Center, and the Office of Community Engagement. The Department is housed in the Health Sciences building with close proximity to other departments in the College of Allied Health, the College of Nursing, the College of Medicine, and the Biomedical Library. Opportunities for collaborative interdisciplinary research, teaching, and practice exist within these colleges and other academic units as well as within the growing number of USA Health hospitals and clinics. The Department of Physical Therapy houses research labs with diverse equipment, including a Vicon motion analysis system, BTE Primus, Tecnobody Walker-View treadmill system, Owens Recovery Science Blood Flow Restriction system, and a Korr metabolic system, that can be used for clinical research and practice. The department also houses an on-site faculty practice clinic with opportunities for outpatient clinical practice. For more information about the Department of Physical Therapy at the University of South Alabama, please visit the website at:

http://www.southalabama.edu/colleges/alliedhealth/pt/index.html

THE UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH ALABAMA is in historic Mobile, Alabama, on the Gulf Coast, between New Orleans and the Florida panhandle. The University is a public, Carnegie "Research University/High Research Activity" institution, enrolling more than 13,000 students in nine colleges and schools. Founded in 1963, the University seeks to establish itself as a premier academic institution in the southeastern United States. Mobile is the center of a growing, two-county, metropolitan area (~600,000 residents) with an expanding, diverse economy.

APPLICANT INSTRUCTIONS: Review of applications will begin immediately and will continue until the position is filled. Interested candidates should submit a cover letter, curriculum vitae, research statement, and contact information for three professional references in an electronic format to the search committee chair: Dr. Laura White at laurawhite@southalabama.edu.

Applicants invited for a campus interview will arrange to have three signed original letters of recommendation and official graduate and undergraduate transcripts from all degree granting institutions attended sent directly to Laura White, University of South Alabama, Pat Capps Covey College of Allied Health Professions, HAHN 2021, 5721 USA Drive N., Mobile, AL 36688-0002 or: laurawhite@southalabama.edu.

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