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Job Category University Faculty

Job Type Full-Time

FLSA Status Exempt

Campus Rogers Park-Lake Shore Campus

Location Code CHEMISTRY & BIOCHEMISTRY (02113A)

Department Name CHEMISTRY & BIOCHEMISTRY

Is this split and/or fully

grant funded?

No

Duties and Responsibilities

Salary Range: \$70,000-\$90,000

Benefits Information: https://www.luc.edu/hr/benefits/

The Forensic Science Program in the College of Arts and Sciences at Loyola University Chicago seeks qualified candidates for an appointment as Lecturer beginning Fall 2025. Loyola's Forensic Science faculty members are dedicated to quality undergraduate teaching and a student-centered approach to education. By engaging in an active research program and service projects, faculty members contribute to the advancement of the field and bring their insights back into the classroom. The program has a faculty of nine lecturers: three full-time and six part-time. Our curriculum is built on the fundamental natural sciences of chemistry and biology. The program currently serves 307 students with about 30 BS graduates per year. Students can pursue capstone courses in forensic toxicology, molecular biology, and anthropology. For more information about the program, please visit its website at www.luc.edu/forensicscience.

We welcome candidates with strong teaching profiles in drug chemistry and forensic toxicology and appropriate professional experience in this area of forensic analysis. The successful candidate will join a nationally accredited program (Forensic Science Education Programs Accreditation Commission, FEPAC, fepac-edu.org) and should be familiar with the standards set forth in this accreditation.

This search is part of a College-wide, multiyear hiring initiative designed to hire outstanding teachers and researchers who are reflective of our diverse student body, committed to interdisciplinarity, dedicated to the pursuit of external grants, and appreciative of a Jesuit, Catholic education. As a University that is situated in the world-class, multicultural City of Chicago and dedicated to mentoring a diverse student body, many of whom come from underrepresented and underserved populations, we especially encourage applications from candidates from underrepresented groups.

This position involves teaching courses in drug chemistry and forensic toxicology. Candidates will be asked to teach courses that integrate undergraduate research experiences in forensic science. Additional teaching may be assigned in the Forensic Science program or Department of Chemistry and Biochemistry to complete a full-time 4-4 teaching load. The successful candidate will also engage in professional development activities as well as service at the program level or above.

Qualifications

The candidate will have a PhD in chemistry or a closely related field at the time of appointment and at least three years' relevant experience as a forensic science practitioner in an operational forensic science laboratory setting. Candidates for the position must demonstrate clear potential for excellence in teaching and student mentorship. The candidate must be willing to support the mission of Loyola University Chicago and the goals of a Jesuit, Catholic education.

Physical Demands

None

Working Conditions

None

Minimum Education and/or Work Experience

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Open Date

02/20/2025

Close Date

Salary Range

\$70,000-\$90,000

Additional Salary Information

The anticipated salary range for this position is in accordance with the <u>Collective Bargaining Agreement</u>. This salary range is for a nine-month academic appointment. The salary offered to the selected candidate will be determined based on a range of factors including, but not limited to, the experience and qualifications of the selected candidate including years since terminal degree; training; field or discipline; budget availability; internal equity; and external market pay for comparable jobs.

Special Instructions to Applicants

Applicants should submit to www.careers.luc.edu (1) letter of interest; (2) current Curriculum Vitae; (3) statement on teaching philosophy and experience; (4) statement addressing past or potential contributions to mentoring a diverse student body and engaging a diverse community through teaching and service; and (5) names and email addresses of three individuals prepared to provide letters of recommendation (letter writers will receive an electronic prompt asking them to submit their letters).

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Review of applications will begin immediately and continue until the position is filled. Applications received before March 17, 2025 will receive full consideration.

As a Jesuit, Catholic institution of higher education, we seek candidates who will contribute to our strategic plan to deliver a Transformative Education in the Jesuit tradition. To learn more about Loyola University Chicago's mission, candidates should consult our website at www.luc.edu/mission/. For information about the university's focus on transformative education, they should consult our website at www.luc.edu/transformativeed.

About Loyola University Chicago

Founded in 1870, Loyola University Chicago is the largest of twenty-seven Jesuit colleges and universities (https://ajcunet.edu/) and one of the largest Catholic universities in the United States. Loyola enrolls approximately 17,000 students, including over 11,000 undergraduates, across its three campuses in the Chicago metropolitan area: Lake Shore Campus on Chicago's north side; Water Tower Campus near the Magnificent Mile in downtown Chicago; and Health Sciences Campus in the western suburb of Maywood. The University has over 1,600 full-time and part-time faculty. It also operates a study abroad center – the John Felice Rome Center (JFRC) – in Rome, Italy. Loyola offers programs in a variety of disciplines through thirteen schools and colleges: the College of Arts and Sciences (founded in 1870), the School of Law (1908), the Stritch School of Medicine (1909), the School of Social Work (1914), the School of Continuing and Professional Studies (1914), the Graduate School (1915), the Quinlan School of Business (1922), the Marcella Niehoff School of Nursing (1935), the School of Education (1969), the School of Communication (2008), Arrupe College (2014) which operates as a two-year college and confers associates degrees, the Parkinson School of Health Sciences and Public Health (2019), and the School of Environmental Sustainability (2020).

As one of the nation's largest Jesuit, Catholic universities, Loyola University Chicago fosters a transformative cultural experience that honors <u>diversity</u>, <u>equity</u>, <u>and inclusion</u>. We are committed to not only recruiting, but also retaining a diverse, mission-driven workforce and enabling a culture of inclusiveness in an environment that values service excellence, stewardship, personal well-being, and professional development for all of our employees. Loyola University Chicago supports its staff and faculty with a wide array of affordable, comprehensive and competitive <u>benefits</u> centered on health and wellness, financial security, equity, and worklife balance. We actively seek those who wish to join our faculty, staff, and students in a community of diverse opinions, perspectives, and backgrounds supporting our Jesuit mission and striving toward the same goal of being persons for and with others.

The Loyola University Chicago community acknowledges its location on the ancestral homelands of the Council of the Three Fires (the Ojibwa, Ottawa, and Potawatomi tribes) and a place of trade with other tribes, including the Ho-Chunk, Miami, Menominee, Sauk, and Meskwaki. We recognize the tragic legacy of colonization, genocide, and oppression that still impacts Native American lives today. As a Jesuit university, we affirm our commitment to issues of social responsibility and justice. We further recognize our responsibility to understand, teach, and respect the past and present realities of local Native Americans and their continued connection to this land.

EQUAL OPPORTUNITY EMPLOYER

Loyola University Chicago is an Equal Opportunity/Affirmative Action employer with a strong commitment to hiring for our mission and diversifying our faculty. The University seeks to increase the diversity of its professoriate, workforce and undergraduate and graduate student populations because broad diversity – including a wide range of individuals who contribute to a robust academic environment – is critical to achieving the University's mission of excellence in education, research, educational access and services in an increasingly diverse society. Therefore, in holistically accessing the many qualifications of each applicant, we would factor favorably an individual's record of conduct that includes experience with an array of diverse perspectives, as well as a wide variety of different educational, research or other work activities. Among other qualifications, we would also factor favorably experience overcoming or helping others overcome barriers to an academic career or degrees.

Quick Link for Posting https://www.careers.luc.edu/postings/31179

Job Number 8500770

Organizational Location PROVOST

Posting Details

Posting Detail

Number of Vacancies

Desired Start Date 08/11/2025

Position End Date

Open Until Filled Yes

Applicant Documents

Required Documents

- 1. Cover Letter/Letter of Application
- 2. Curriculum Vitae
- 3. Teaching Statement
- 4. Inclusive Excellence Statement

Optional Documents

- 1. Research Statement
- 2. Writing Sample
- 3. Scholarly Publications
- 4. Teaching Evaluations

- 5. Other Document
- 6. Unofficial Transcripts7. Multi Media
- 8. Resume

Supplemental Questions

Required fields are indicated with an asterisk (*).