



UNIVERSITY of the SOUTHERN CARIBBEAN

Royal Road, Maracas, St. Joseph

CAREER OPPORTUNITY

Applications are invited from suitably qualified individuals for the following position:

SCHOOL OF EDUCATION & HUMANITIES

FACULTY MEMBER - MUSIC

JOB SUMMARY

The **Faculty Member** is responsible for classroom teaching, preparing of course materials, maintaining and improving competence in subjects taught, directing individual and group studies as well as practicum (where applicable), reviewing and marking assignments and examination papers, supervising study projects, providing advisement on academic, curricula and career matters; and is involved in peer reviews. The position holder is a member of the Faculty Senate and participates in departmental/university committees and activities. The role of the faculty member involves teaching, scholarship and service. A contribution to maintaining the strategic priorities of the University. The position requires compliance with established policies and procedures of the Department and a high level of confidentiality. The incumbent will be expected to engage in professional development activities. The position holder works in accordance with the number of credit hours assigned for the academic year, fulfills the number of stipulated office hours, attends meetings as required, and participates in University events. These responsibilities are expected to be fulfilled within the 40-hour work week. He or she reports to the Chair of the Department.

DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

Teaching:

- Develops course outline (syllabus) for each class at the beginning of the semester that clearly outlines the course requirements, rationale, goals, and objectives against which progress and achievement can be periodically checked.
- Prepares class sessions and assignments to help students grasp course content and how it integrates with overall student learning outcomes for the course.

- Teaches assigned courses according to the course outline, standards and outcomes; and creates a learning environment that encourages student involvement and participation, to help them to achieve a sense of personal responsibility and ability to evaluate ideas, high ideas, standards for personal living, and a high level of scholarship.
- Teaches according to the class schedule that may include day, evening, weekend, and distance classes offered at any approved instructional site.
- Functions as an official academic advisor, guiding students about course, academic sequence and program selections and ensures the successful completion of their degree program.
- Posts and holds office hours weekly as required (a minimum of 8 hours), in a physical and electronic format (to include virtual office hours) as appropriate, and is accessible to student via telephone and email.
- Administers the class attendance regulations as outlined in the current University Bulletin, inclusive of the GATE requirements.
- Be responsible for all classroom guest speakers, films, and programs in collaboration with Chairs/Dean and see that they meet the ethical and spiritual standards of the University.
- Selects textbooks for courses in counsel with the Departmental Chairperson.
- Maintains academic records for all students enrolled in classes, including grades, and post grades to the AEORION (SMS) by the required deadline date.
- Prepares and administers examinations according to the regulations and guidelines as set by the University.
- Assists students in acquiring internships and practicum, where assigned, according to curricular needs, and supervising student performance using prearranged criteria.
- Arranges in advance, whenever possible, with the Department Chairperson or Dean of the School for necessary absences from class appointments, field trips, or other academic activities, and assists in obtaining substitutes.
- Engages in the development of new and creative instructional materials for classes.

Scholarship:

- Maintains a high level of professional efficiency by personal study and progressive schooling, reading, experiment, and research.
- Maintains membership with a professional society; and attends/participates in professional conferences within provision of the University's policy.

Service:

- Assists the Department Chairperson in the application of the objectives, policies, and regulations of the Department and of the University.
- Assists with the departmental assessment efforts and plans.
- Participates in, and assists with, student recruitment and marketing efforts of the Department.
- Works harmoniously with all colleagues.
- Participates during registration and invigilates for final examinations on the scheduled dates.
- Appropriately integrates Christian faith and a biblical worldview as reflected in the University's core values/beliefs in course content and by personal interactions with students and colleagues.
- Serves as sponsor to student clubs, tours/trips, and special projects where required.
- Participates in all Music Department activities, such as, department meetings, social gatherings, performances and celebrations.
- Attends and participates in chapels and other campus life activities such as convocations, vesper services, Sabbath School, church service, graduation exercise, extra-curricular activities and such other regular appointed public functions.
- Attends and participates in faculty meeting, faculty and staff meeting and other duly called meetings of the University.

- Serve creatively on 2-3 Department/University committees as required.

Other:

- Maintains standards of professional conduct and ethics appropriate to the professional position.
- Contributes to maintenance of the University's strategic pillars.
- Performs other assigned duties commensurate with the position.

QUALIFICATION AND EXPERIENCE

To perform this job successfully, the position holder must be able to perform each essential duty satisfactorily. The position requires:

- Earned doctoral degree in Music/Jazz Theory, Music Education, Music History, Music Technology, Conducting or a related field is preferred.
- Master's degrees may be considered if the applicant has at least three years of prior teaching experience at the tertiary level.
- A minimum of 3 years of teaching experience at the tertiary level is preferred, with successful instruction in face-to-face and hybrid learning environments.

KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS AND ABILITIES

- Knowledge of academic policies and procedures.
- Knowledge of health and safety policies and procedures.
- Must be able to demonstrate subject content knowledge at a level and in a manner that facilitates organization and integration of information, and interpretation and evaluation of ideas. The faculty member must be able to be a critical thinker and problem solver who is a thoughtful and energetic learner capable of critical inquiry.
- Innovative, strategic thinking skills with the capability to implement goals and solve complex problems.
- Ability to communicate effectively with students, teachers, administrators, parents, teaching assistants and others as needed, both written and orally.
- Demonstrate skills in a variety of educational technologies including learning management systems, curriculum databases, electronic instructional design tools, web-based applications, and Microsoft applications.
- Commitment to Biblical integration in and out of the classroom.
- Strong student advocate who supports the learning and success of students from culturally diverse backgrounds in higher education.
- Attitude of servant leadership.
- Ability and willingness to adapt to changing procedures and methods.
- Ability to foster a positive and productive work environment.
- Ability to read, write, and speak English fluently.

OTHER REQUIREMENTS

- Team player

- Personable, discreet, highly motivated
- Excellent written and oral communication skills
- Willingness to become involved in community service in and around the University
- Ability to interact with diverse cultures at the University
- Confidentiality, integrity, dependability, and conscientiousness
- Appropriate, professional appearance and demeanour required
- Commitment to the high moral, spiritual and ethical values of the Seventh-day Adventist Institution.

Applications should include a Cover Letter, a detailed Curriculum Vitae, two (2) written recommendations, including one from current employer, photocopies of relevant academic qualifications and contact number/s should be forwarded to:

**THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN RESOURCES
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Or email us at: hr-recruitment@usc.edu.tt

This position is open until filled.

The University wishes to thank all applicants for their interest; however, only short-listed applicants will be contacted.