



Mary Frances Early College of Education UNIVERSITY OF GEORGIA

POSITION ANNOUNCEMENT **Tenure-track, Assistant Professor of Science Education**

The Department of Mathematics, Science, and Social Studies Education at the University of Georgia invites applications for a position as an Assistant Professor of Science Education to begin August 2026. The position is a tenure-track, academic year appointment based at the Athens campus, with the possibility of summer employment.

The Department of Mathematics, Science and Social Studies Education consists of 7 full-time science educators, 9 full-time mathematics educators, and 4 full-time social studies educators with a variety of research interests. The Science Education Program offers BSEd, MEd, MA, MAT, EdS, EdD, and PhD degrees; attracts and supports national and international doctoral students; and has strong collaborative relationships with colleagues in the sciences, quantitative and qualitative research methods, and area school districts.

Required Qualifications:

- An earned doctorate by the start date in science education or a closely related field
- An active record of scholarship and productivity commensurate with experience
- Potential for seeking and attracting external funding
- Ability to effectively teach in our science teacher preparation programs, which includes elementary, middle grades, and secondary teacher preparation, as well as in other courses in our undergraduate and graduate programs
- Ability to teach face-to-face and online within the current program curriculum

Preferred Qualifications:

- One or more years of experience teaching in PreK-12 settings
- Evidence that science education is central to research
- One or more years of experience with populations having varied backgrounds and learning preferences

Responsibilities:

- Establish and maintain a scholarly research, publication, and grant writing record
- Teach graduate and undergraduate courses in science education
- Advise graduate students and supervise graduate student research
- Contribute to the department to maintain programs of excellence in research and teaching
- Provide service to the department, college, university, profession, and public

Procedure:

Applications received by October 20, 2025 are assured full consideration. We will continue to accept and screen applications until the position is filled. A complete application includes:

- A letter of application that addresses both research and teaching (not to exceed 4 pages).
- A curriculum vita.
- Transcripts for all degrees earned and in progress (unofficial transcripts accepted initially).
- Two samples of scholarly writing combined into one .pdf document.
- Three letters of recommendation that are *submitted by your references* via [ugajobsearch.com](https://www.ugajobsearch.com). Your provided references will be contacted after you submit your application at the link below.

All materials should be uploaded electronically to
<https://www.ugajobsearch.com/postings/452924>

Please direct inquiries to the search committee chair, Dr. Julie Kittleson (jkittl@uga.edu).

The College:

The Mary Frances Early College of Education (MFE COE), one of the nation's largest colleges of education, consistently ranks in the top ten national Elementary Education and Curriculum and Instruction programs. The College offers significant possibilities for interdisciplinary research collaborations, program development, and school-community partnerships. The college's Research Office provides strong pre- and post-award grant support. The College is named for the University of Georgia's first African American graduate, a pioneering educator who played an integral role in the campaign for racial equality in Georgia and across the South. The department and college are recognized leaders in developing partnerships with local communities and schools to provide pre-service and in-service professional development, and to expand students' experiential learning and service-learning opportunities. As the 4th largest public college of education in the country and the 3rd largest college at UGA, the Mary Frances Early College of Education (MFE COE) improves the lives of residents of Georgia and beyond through our instruction, research, and service. The MFE COE is a comprehensive college with disciplines focused on teacher preparation, counseling and human development, communication sciences, human movement sciences, career development, student affairs, and educational administration and policy. We place significant emphasis on graduate education with approximately 40% of our students at the graduate level, making us the second largest college at UGA with respect to graduate education.

The University:

Since our founding in 1785, the University of Georgia has operated as Georgia's oldest, most comprehensive, and most diversified institution of higher education (<https://www.uga.edu/>). The proof is in our more than 235 years of academic and professional achievements and our continual commitment to higher education. UGA is currently ranked among the top 20 public

universities in U.S. News & World Report. The University's main campus is located in Athens, approximately 65 miles northeast of Atlanta, with extended campuses in Atlanta, Griffin, Gwinnett, and Tifton. UGA employs approximately 3,100 faculty and more than 7,700 full-time staff. The University's enrollment exceeds 41,000 students including over 31,000 undergraduates and over 10,000 graduate and professional students. Academic programs reside in 19 schools and colleges, including our newly formed School of Medicine.

The University of Georgia is an Equal Opportunity employer. All qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to age, color, disability, genetic information, national origin, race, religion, sex, or veteran status or other protected status. Persons needing accommodations or assistance with the accessibility of materials related to this search are encouraged to contact Central HR (hrweb@uga.edu).

Hiring is contingent on proof of eligibility to work in the United States and completion of a background check, among other requirements.

For more information about the Department of Mathematics, Science, and Social Studies Education, visit <https://coe.uga.edu/directory/math-science-and-social-studies-education>; for UGA, visit www.uga.edu; for Athens, visit www.visitathensga.com; and for Georgia, visit www.georgia.gov.