

**Chair, Department of Biology
The University of Mississippi**

The University of Mississippi invites applications for the full-time, 12-month administrative faculty position as Chair of the Department of Biology in the College of Liberal Arts. The University of Mississippi is in an exciting phase of institutional growth and is located in the city of Oxford, a vibrant community known for its small-town southern charm and outstanding educational and cultural opportunities. The Department of Biology consists of a dynamic mix of tenured/tenure-track and instructional faculty (36), postdoctoral researchers, and graduate students, and hosts one of the largest cohorts of undergraduate majors and course enrollments per year at the university (930 and 11,500 students, respectively). It is home to a diverse yet integrated community of scientist-educators whose research interests span the scale of genes and microbes to ecosystems (for more information visit biology.olemiss.edu). Candidates for the position of Chair must have a Ph.D. degree or equivalent in any area of the biological sciences, a strong record of successful undergraduate and graduate teaching, professional accomplishments commensurate with tenure at the rank of Professor, and be eligible to work in the United States. Candidates should have a history of exemplary research scholarship and funding, a demonstrated record of financial and personnel management, and strong interpersonal and leadership skills. The successful candidate will be expected to convey a clear vision for the Department based on the University Strategic Plan (um2020.olemiss.edu), be committed to the professional development of faculty and staff, foster collaborations with appropriate campus constituencies, and be passionate about advancing the well-being of the Department.

To apply, visit our Online Employment Service at jobs.olemiss.edu. Applications should include: a complete curriculum vitae and a cover letter which includes the following: a statement of administrative philosophy, a statement of vision for the Department, and a list of the names and contact information of at least five references. Review of applications will begin 30 November 2015, and continue until the position is filled or an adequate applicant pool is established. The anticipated starting date is June 2016, but is flexible. Questions about the position may be addressed to Dr. Charles L. Hussey, Chair, Department of Chemistry and Biochemistry, who serves as the search chair (chclh@chem1.olemiss.edu, 662-915-7301). Committed to being one of America's great public universities, the University of Mississippi welcomes applications from women and members of other underrepresented groups, and is an EOE/AA/Minorities/Females/Vet/Disability/Title IV/Title IX/504/ADA/ADEA Employer.