

Postdoctoral Teaching & Research Fellowship in Organic Chemistry

The Austin College <u>Department of Chemistry</u> invites applications for a Postdoctoral Teaching & Research Fellowship in Organic Chemistry. Candidates must have PhD in hand before the position begins in August 2024.

The department seeks to hire a recent Ph.D. graduate in Organic Chemistry, or a highly related field of chemistry, to start a three-year postdoctoral teaching and research position in the Fall of 2024 with the option to renew for a fourth year. Interest in pursuing a career at a primarily undergraduate institution (PUI) and some previous teaching experience in organic chemistry is desirable. The candidate will gain experience through teaching multiple sections of Organic Chemistry I & II and General Chemistry I & II laboratory sections, as well as in the setup, maintenance, breakdown, and safety documentation of all Organic Chemistry labs. Candidates may also have additional opportunities to teach lectures in organic chemistry, develop a course designed for non-majors, and advise student research projects through our summer research experience and/or academic year research programming after the first year. The candidate will gain highly relevant and desirable experience for a successful career at a PUI including teaching, lab management, lab safety, course development, and mentoring undergraduate researchers. The Fellow will receive mentoring from tenured colleagues, access to financial resources for scholarship, travel, and professional development; and other support that will help them a) better understand the nature of a career as a teacher-scholar at a primarily undergraduate institution, b) develop and strengthen their pedagogical skills and experience; and c) establish and enhance their research project(s). The Fellow will have the opportunity to participate in innovative teaching and scholarship within our excellent facilities and programs, including the college's Johnson Center for Teaching and Learning which promotes current topics and trends in teaching and pedagogy. A satisfactory candidate will be strongly supported when they search for a tenure track position.

Austin College is a leading national private liberal arts college located north of Dallas in Sherman, Texas. Founded in 1849, it is the oldest institution of higher education in Texas operating under original charter and name. Recognized nationally for academic excellence in the areas of international education, pre-professional training, and leadership studies, the College provides an academically challenging and lively community of students, staff, and faculty committed to intellectual growth through individual and collaborative endeavors. Austin College (AC) is one of 40 schools profiled in Loren Pope's influential book, *Colleges That Change Lives*.

Candidates should send the following:

- cover letter
- CV
- copies of graduate transcripts, (unofficial are sufficient for the application)
- three letters of reference
- a 2-page teaching statement that conveys the candidate's interest in undergraduate teaching and describes the candidate's ideas or philosophy for equitable and inclusive teaching,
- a one-page research statement addressing the candidate's plans for scholarly work and how that work will include undergraduates.

Please combine materials into one PDF document and email it to ChemistrySearch@austincollege.edu.

Three references should send recommendation letters directly to the aforementioned email address with the candidate's name in the subject line.

Applications will be reviewed as they are received. The position will remain open until it is filled.

Austin College is an *Equal Opportunity Employer* that serves a diverse student body and is committed to the same in the hiring process. Applicants must be currently authorized to work in the United States for any employer.