

**University of South Florida**  
**College of Education**  
**Announcement of a Faculty Position # 3416**  
**Professor and Chair**  
**Childhood Education and Literacy Studies**

The University of South Florida is one of the nation's top 63 public research universities and one of 39 community-engaged four-year public universities as designated by the Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching. USF was awarded \$380.4 million in research contracts and grants in FY 2008/2009. The system offers 232 degree programs at the undergraduate, graduate, specialist and doctoral levels, including the doctor of medicine. It has a \$1.8 billion annual budget, an annual economic impact of \$3.2 billion, and serves more than 47,000 students on institutions/campuses in Tampa, St. Petersburg, Sarasota-manatee and Lakeland. USF is a member of the Big East Athletic conference.

USF has one of the largest, most highly regarded urban Colleges of Education in the country. Approximately 3,800 students are enrolled in the College in Bachelors, Master's, Ph.D., Ed.D. and Ed.S. degree programs. The College is accredited by the National Council for Accreditation of Teacher Education (NCATE), and is ranked 54<sup>th</sup> nationally among graduate schools of education by *US News and World Report*. The College contributed significantly to the over \$380 million in external funding generated during the past year by the University of South Florida, with over \$25 million in external awards, and to the University's national and international agenda through research, teaching, and engagement with the schools/community. The College of Education is housed in a state-of-the-art wireless education facility.

Childhood Education and Literacy Studies (CELS) is home to Ph.D., M.A., and certificate programs in Literary Studies; Ph.D., M.A., and B.S. programs in Early Childhood, and M.A., M.A.T., and B.S. programs in Elementary Education. Thirteen faculty members pursue active research agendas and are engaged in global and local outreach initiatives in Literacy Education, Early Childhood, and Elementary Education. The programs and faculty in CELS are committed to diversity as part of learning, especially as it occurs in urban education settings; with faculty engaged in community education efforts, both in and out of school settings. For more information about CELS, please visit our website at: <http://www.coedu.usf.edu/main/departments/ce/ce.html>

**Position:**

Professor and Chair, College of Education, Department of Childhood Education and Literacy Studies, 12-month, tenure track, effective August 7, 2010. The Chair will have responsibilities for leading, organizing, and maintaining the personnel and other resources in the department to meet departmental goals. These goals include delivery of instruction in curriculum at the Bachelors, Master's, Specialist, and Doctoral levels. The Chair reports to the Dean of the College of Education. The Chair will provide leadership and support for research, publishing, professional activities, and external funding that promotes the development of new knowledge and innovative practices; represent the Department at regular meetings and other planning sessions with college or university-wide implications; and engage in professional organizations at the state, regional and national levels. Close alliance with service area school districts that are some of the largest in the nation is an important responsibility. Other departmental duties of the Chair include (1) facilitating progress toward the college's strategic directions; (2) planning cycles of courses to deliver degree programs on the Tampa campus; (3) managing budgets; (4) supervising standing committees that include tenure and promotion, annual review, adjunct credentialing, and graduate credentialing committees; (5) overseeing admission to and completion requirements for all degree programs; (6) maintaining program approval and accreditation standards as required by the state

of Florida and accreditation by SACS and NCATE standards; and (7) providing leadership for the Department's fund raising activities.

**Required Qualifications:**

- Earned doctoral degree in Literacy, Early Childhood, Elementary Education, or a related discipline
- University record of teaching, research and scholarly work commensurate with appointment at the Full Professor level with tenure according to USF's standards (<http://files.acad.usf.edu/facprogdev/5464.pdf>)
- Outstanding record of research, scholarship and publication

**Preferred Qualifications:**

- Successful experience in program development and administrative duties, including fiscal management and budgeting, supervision, development, strategic planning, program assessment and faculty evaluation
- Strong record of external funding
- Evidence of commitment to diversity and experience and/or knowledge of urban education
- Evidence of ability to work collaboratively with colleagues in school districts, state departments of education, and universities
- Demonstrated experience with appropriate accreditation agencies
- Experience in mentoring faculty
- Demonstrated commitment at the national level to appropriate disciplinary professional organizations
- Demonstrated competence with technological forms of communication

**Salary:** Negotiable, competitive and commensurate with qualifications and experience.

**Application Process:**

USF welcomes applications from qualified applicants who have knowledge of and experience with individuals representing diverse backgrounds and cultures. Applications should include a letter describing qualifications for the position in each of the above areas, current vita, copies of one or more recent research articles (maximum of 4) presented at professional conferences or published in refereed journals, and the names, addresses, telephone numbers and email addresses of four professional references. **Please specify Position # 3416.** Position finalists will be asked to provide official university transcripts and may be requested to provide letters of recommendation from professional references. Letters from references are not required at the time of application. References will not be contacted until advanced stages of screening, and candidates will receive prior notification.

**Applications must be submitted electronically to <https://employment.usf.edu>**

Questions about the position may be directed to Dr. James R. King, Chair of the Search Committee, email address: [king@tempest.coedu.usf.edu](mailto:king@tempest.coedu.usf.edu)

**Full consideration will be given to complete applications received by 5:00 pm EST November 30, 2009. Applications will be considered until the position is filled.**

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