Part-time Instructor positions in Department of Chemistry and Physics

Areas of Expertise

Augusta State University, soon to become Georgia Regents University upon consolidation with GHSU, frequently has a need for part-time instructors to teach one or two course sections of classes. The department offers classes in chemistry (CHEM), physics (PHYS), astronomy (ASTR), geology (GEOL), engineering (ENGR), and related disciplines including physical science (PHSC), meteorology (GEOG), and integrated science (ISCI).

Instructor Qualifications

Instructors must have credentials suitable to the accrediting agency. Typically this means at least a masters degree in the teaching area including at least 18 semester hours of graduate courses in the teaching area. Alternative credentialing is possible in extraordinary situations.

Scheduling

Part-time instructors are employed on a semester-by-semester basis according to the departmental needs. Once hiring has been completed, the department chair will try to anticipate needs well in advance of the semester (typically in December or January prior to the start of the fall term in August, for instance) and schedule a course section for an instructor in coordination with that instructor. This strategy gives the maximum opportunity for students to enroll in the section. A course must have sufficient enrollment to be taught, and low enrollments in other courses may force reassignment of instructors, but every attempt is made to honor the planning that was done (and reassignments are historically very rare). Sometimes a need to offer additional sections is recognized much closer to the start of a term, and instructors may be contacted to schedule an additional course section as courses fill up (and as budget allows).

Courses

The courses and course descriptions are found on the university website in the Catalog. Course descriptions are listed alphabetically by the 4-letter subject code and course number (such as CHEM 1151 Survey of Chemistry I).

Most frequent courses taught by part-time instructors

ASTR 1000  Introduction to the Universe
CHEM 1151  Survey of Chemistry I
CHEM 1152  Survey of Chemistry II (organic and biochem)
CHEM 1211  Principles of Chemistry I
CHEM 2410  Chemistry of Organic and Biomolecules
ENGR 2020 Statics
ENGR 2040 Dynamics
GEOL 1211 Physical Geology
GEOL 1212 Historical Geology
GEOG 1112 Introduction to Weather and Climate
ISCI 2002 Physical Science
PHSC 1011 Physical Science
PHYS 1111 Introductory Physics I
PHYS 1112 Introductory Physics II

**Hiring**

People interested in a part time instructor position should contact the department chair for possible hiring. The need for instructors varies year to year and discipline by discipline. Some people may wish to complete the hiring process, even if there is currently no demand. In such cases, they would be available for late scheduling of additional sections. Other people may wish to wait until there is an identified need before completing the hiring process. These options can be discussed with the department chair.

**Contact**

If you are interested in pursuing a part-time instructor position, please contact the department chair with a letter of interest and a current CV. You may do so electronically or by postal mail:

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