**Department Chair in Education – LSU Shreveport**

LSU Shreveport's Department of Education invites applications for a tenure-track Department Chair position at the rank of Associate or Full Professor beginning August 2026. This nine-month leadership role involves managing departmental instructors, curriculum, and resources, while collaborating with faculty across graduate and undergraduate programs to advance departmental and institutional goals.

This position is based in Shreveport, Louisiana and is not a remote position.

**Key Leadership Responsibilities:**

* Mentor and evaluate faculty, supporting tenure, promotion, and professional growth.
* Recruit faculty, direct academic standards, and implement departmental and university policies.
* Oversee departmental operations, including personnel, budgets, and resource allocation.
* Model collegiality and foster a collaborative, autonomous departmental culture.
* Represent the department to external organizations, academic institutions, and government agencies, sustaining its reputation and vitality.

**Teaching and Program Responsibilities:**

* Teach two courses per semester (undergraduate or graduate as needed).
* Supervise, advise, and mentor students in clinical and academic development.
* Engage in research, scholarship, and ongoing professional activities in education or related fields.
* Collaborate with faculty on program development, assessment, and accreditation processes.
* Shape the strategic direction of undergraduate and graduate programs through operations such as admissions, advising, student progress monitoring, curriculum development, and program alignment with accreditation standards.
* Lead the assessment of student learning outcomes and program effectiveness, including preparing annual reports.

**Leadership and Service Responsibilities:**

* Maintain positive relationships with support/partner organizations and lead recruitment events.
* Respond to inquiries from prospective students, administrators, and accreditation bodies.
* Partner with university leadership to support strategic enrollment planning and promote ethical, effective practice among graduates.

**Required Qualifications:**

* Doctorate in Education from an accredited program
* Minimum one year of administrative experience in higher education or related educational settings.
* At least five years of higher education teaching experience in the field of education.
* At least five years of PK-12 teaching experience and U.S. certification (or international equivalent).
* Expertise in undergraduate methods/materials: Elementary ELA, Reading, Math, Science, Social Studies, and/or K-12 Dyslexia.
* Commitment to accessible teaching, including online instruction.
* Evidence of scholarship and active research agenda.
* Demonstrated collaborative experience with school systems and community agencies.
* Experience with data-driven instructional decisions and co-teaching.
* Effective communication, interpersonal, and administrative skills for collegial leadership, conflict resolution, and trust-building.

**Preferred Qualifications:**

* Knowledge of national education standards such as: InTASC, National Educational Leadership Preparation (NELP) Louisiana Teacher Preparation Competencies, Council for the Accreditation of Educator Preparation (CAEP).
* Membership in a professional education association.

**Salary and Benefits:**

* Competitive salary commensurate with experience.
* Comprehensive benefits package, including health insurance, retirement plan options, and professional development support.

**Application Process:**

Review of complete applications will begin immediately and continue until the position is filled.

To apply, submit a cover letter, CV, and contact information for three (3) professional references to the College of Education and Human Development: [CEHD@lsus.edu](mailto:CEHD@lsus.edu).

For questions about the position, contact: Jill Rush-Kolodzey, MD, MPH, DrPH. [jrush@lsus.edu](mailto:Jrush@lsus.edu)

For accessibility accommodations during any part of the hiring process, contact [disabilityservices@lsus.edu/318-797-5116](mailto:disabilityservices@lsus.edu/318-797-5116).

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**About LSU Shreveport and the Department of Education:**

LSUS boasts a high percentage of faculty with terminal degrees. With over 10,000 students, LSUS boasts the highest number of graduate students in the state. In addition to a collegial faculty, our University boasts a high percentage of faculty with terminal degrees. The LSUS Department of Education enrolls approximately 250 undergraduate students pursuing majors in elementary and secondary education. Our graduate program serves more than 800 students in our accelerated online MEDCI and MEDL programs.

LSUS has more than 20 undergraduate degree programs, more than a dozen graduate programs including a Doctor of Education (Ed.D.) in Leadership Studies. Named by the U.S. Department of Education as one of the most affordable colleges in Louisiana, LSU Shreveport offers high quality classroom instruction with very affordable tuition rates. In addition, LSUS offers many forms of financial aid, including scholarships, on-campus employment, and graduate assistantships. With recent expansion in the university’s infrastructure and investment in educational technology, these improvements continue to enhance the student experience at LSU Shreveport, and the University has proven itself to be an institution of opportunity and quality.

**About Shreveport:**

The Shreveport-Bossier City area offers an attractive quality of life, combining the conveniences of a big city with the warmth and hospitality of a smaller town. With a metropolitan population of more than 380,000, the Shreveport-Bossier City area offers a low cost of living, affordable housing, and many diverse dining and entertainment options. Exceptional outdoor recreation opportunities abound. Frequently called "A Sportsman's Paradise," the area's mild climate, various lakes and rivers, and beautiful parks create the perfect setting for jogging, bicycling, water sports, hunting, and fishing. For other recreational activities, Shreveport-Bossier is home to riverboat casinos and horse racing at Louisiana Downs. Additional entertainment venues include the Brookshire Grocery Arena which hosts numerous musical events, comedians, rodeos, children’s events, and ice-skating productions, among others. Shreveport also hosts dozens of festivals such as Mardi Gras, Louisiana Prize Fest, the Red River Revel, and Taco Wars, with regional food and music, and offers regular theatrical productions, ballet performances, as well as performances by the Shreveport Symphony and the Shreveport Opera. Shreveport is also home to the American Rose Garden.