



Assistant Professor of Education (STEM emphasis)

The Department of Teacher Education at Kentucky Wesleyan College invites applications from a diverse group of qualified applicants for a tenure-track position at the rank of Assistant Professor of Education to begin August 2022. The Department is seeking candidates who have a passion for taking leadership roles within the institution and the community, support undergraduate programs, assist in the development of graduate programs, engaging in and promoting research in STEM education, and supporting the College and Professional Studies Department strategic goals.

Candidates must have knowledge, skills and interest in science, math, or technology education teaching and professional development. Candidates are expected to teach math and science education courses for elementary, middle, and secondary (biology and chemistry) teacher candidates, as well as work with student teachers in a variety of areas. Candidates are expected to meet the requirements for excellence in teaching and professional work, and service to the college and community.

Major Responsibilities

- Teach a variety of courses related to elementary, middle, and secondary math and science methods and/or common foundational courses including but not limited: Foundations of Education, Educational Technology, Educational Assessment, Diversity, and Classroom Management
- Advise students in middle, secondary, and/or P-12 education major tracks
- Engage in service-learning activities, leadership, and professional development opportunities
- Serve as faculty advisor to student organizations
- Assist students with tutoring to prepare and pass the PRAXIS examination
- Work on state and/or national accreditations
- Supervise and evaluate student teachers up to four times per semester
- Represent the Teacher Education Department at recruitment events
- Teach both undergraduate, graduate, and online students

Required Qualifications

- A terminal degree of PhD or EdD in Teacher Education with an emphasis in STEM; additional emphasis in Biology would be desired; ABD considered (to be completed by the time of appointment)
- Five years of P-12 teaching experience in a STEM related field
- University/College teaching expertise required in educational fields including foundations and science, math, or technology
- A commitment to undergraduate teaching and development of graduate and online programming
- Enthusiastic and dynamic
- Ability to interact professionally with a diverse community including local school districts and other community partners
- Drive and desire to develop a strong, high-quality program in STEM areas which expose students to a variety of educational opportunities.

Application Process

To apply, complete the online application at <https://kwc.edu/application-for-employment/>. To ensure full consideration, applicants must submit a cover letter that addresses the qualifications and responsibilities described above and highlights accomplishments, curriculum vitae, three (3) current letters of recommendation with contact information, and an unofficial transcript in a single PDF file with the complete online application. In later phases of the search process, applicants may be requested to provide verification of terminal degrees, licenses, and certificates.

Questions concerning the search process should be directed to Dr. Melissa Diebel, Professional Studies Division Chair (melissa.diebel@kwc.edu). Screening of applications will begin October 15, 2021. Priority will be given to applicants who meet the screening deadline; however, the position will remain open until filled.

Kentucky Wesleyan College is an equal opportunity employer. The administration, faculty, and staff are committed to attracting qualified candidates from underrepresented groups.

Employee Benefits

The successful applicant will have access to a full range of employee benefits, including health, dental, vision, and life insurance; retirement plans; and tuition benefits. Due to the college's not-for-profit status, employees of Kentucky Wesleyan may be able to receive loan forgiveness under the Public Service Loan Forgiveness Program of the US Department of Education.

Additional Information

About Kentucky Wesleyan College

Kentucky Wesleyan College is a private, four-year liberal arts institution located in the vibrant city of Owensboro. A United Methodist-related college founded in 1858, Wesleyan is known for excellence in academics and a superior residential experience. Kentucky Wesleyan earned a #8 ranking in 2017 from U.S. News & World Report as a Best Regional College in the South, along with a #3 ranking in the South in the category of “Great Schools, Great Prices,” which measures academic quality compared to cost of attendance.

Kentucky Wesleyan students can choose from 29 majors and 13 pre-professional programs. Classes have a 12-to-1 student-faculty ratio, and 88 percent of the faculty have a Ph.D. or terminal degree. The College is accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges to award baccalaureate degrees.

The College employs approximately 200 faculty and staff who work together on a single campus. Kentucky Wesleyan provides a challenging and supportive academic experience for students as well as a positive and stimulating work environment for employees.

A hallmark of the Kentucky Wesleyan experience includes “The Wesleyan Way,” beliefs which guide the entire college community:

- We do everything with honor.
- We always support each other.
- We will compete with integrity.
- We love each other in Christ.

The Kentucky Wesleyan Panthers compete in NCAA Division II and are charter members of the Great Midwest Athletic Conference comprising teams from Ohio, Michigan, Kentucky, and Tennessee. Athletic teams include baseball, basketball, bowling, cross country, football, golf, soccer, softball, tennis, track and field, volleyball, and wrestling.

Kentucky Wesleyan College values the unique contributions of all members of our campus community. As part of our mission to prepare future leaders intellectually, spiritually, and physically, we strive to provide an atmosphere that encourages and challenges all members of the Kentucky Wesleyan College campus community to exhibit an understanding and appreciation of cultural and human differences. We are committed to being a community that reflects the diversity of our larger society. We expect all members of our institution to actively create and maintain an inclusive learning and living environment that embraces diversity in all forms, including race, ethnicity, gender, gender identity, socio-economic status, national origin, sexual orientation, disability, religion, and thought.

About Owensboro, KY

Kentucky Wesleyan College is located in the hospitable city of Owensboro, Kentucky, a vibrant, beautiful, and safe city nestled on the banks of the Ohio River. Owensboro is small enough to promote a hometown atmosphere yet large enough to support many amenities usually only available in much larger cities. Daviess County is home to 110,000 residents and is easily accessible from metropolitan locations such as Louisville, KY; Nashville, TN; and St. Louis, MO.

Owensboro's revitalized downtown area features a state-of-the-art convention center, several new hotels, and a range of entertainment options with unique restaurants and shops. Twenty-five parks, totaling 953 acres, encircle the city, which hosts over 20 annual festivals – attracting visitors from throughout the region.