The Department of Sociology at the University of South Florida in Tampa invites applications for the appointment of a senior scholar to serve as chair of the Department of Sociology beginning in fall 2010. The selected candidate will be responsible for the day-to-day administration and the long range development of a distinguished department of eighteen faculty that offers BA, MA, and Ph.D. programs, and includes a number of faculty with federally-funded grants (total of $6 million). The chairperson will have limited teaching duties, generally focused on his or her specialized field(s). Areas of specialization are open.

Minimum qualifications for the position include evidence of leadership experience and ability, a distinguished record of research and scholarship suitable for an appointment as a full professor with tenure in Sociology, evidence of commitment to and excellence in teaching, and experience mentoring faculty and graduate students. Preferred qualifications include a record of interdisciplinary research and faculty experience in a Ph.D.-granting department.

Applications for this position must be submitted online at https://employment.usf.edu, following instructions for applying for a faculty position. Only required information is needed at this time. You will need to upload a curriculum vitae, a statement of your approach to departmental leadership, a cover letter addressing the above qualifications, and contact information for three references. References will not be contacted without your permission.

Review of applications will begin on November 2, 2009, and continue until the position is filled. For further information, please contact the chair of the search committee, Dr. David Stamps (dstamps@cas.usf.edu), Department of Sociology, University of South Florida, 4202 E. Fowler Avenue CPR107, Tampa, FL 33620-8100. To learn more about the department go to: http://sociology.usf.edu/

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