

## NOTICE OF VACANCY



December 11, 2024

# Political Science/Social Science

(Full-Time, Tenure Track)

**SALARY:** \$53,000

**REPORTS TO:** Dean, School of Social Sciences and Business

**RANK:** Assistant Professor (rank and tenure track status dependent on qualifications)

**STARTING DATE:** August 2025

**BENEFITS:** Institutional fringe package includes pension plans, life, health, dental and vision insurance

**POSITION DETAILS:** Full-time; FLSA Exempt

**RESPONSIBILITIES:** The division of Social Science and Business at the University of Science and Arts of Oklahoma seeks applicants for a tenure track position. The successful candidate will teach both introductory and upper-division coursework and contribute to the Social Science division and to the team-taught Interdisciplinary Studies Core Curriculum each term. Responsibilities include active participation team-teaching in the interdisciplinary core curriculum and may include various combinations of the following departmental course titles: U.S. Government, Public Administration, Constitutional Law, Political Theory, Criminal Justice, and/or Social Work. Interdisciplinary coursework includes "American Civilization" and "Political and Economic Systems and Theories." Job responsibilities include a 4/4 undergraduate teaching load, academic advising, supervision of undergraduate research, as well as division and university service. Scholarly activity, broadly defined, is expected.

**QUALIFICATIONS:** An earned doctorate in Political Science or related Social Science field preferred; ABD candidates will be considered with an anticipated completion date before **June 2025**. A record of excellence in teaching experience in higher education is desired, along with evidence of potential for scholarly productivity. Individuals with an understanding of and commitment to interdisciplinary, liberal arts education will be given the most consideration. Candidates should possess communication and interpersonal skills sufficient to work effectively with a diverse array of students and colleagues, and a disposition suited to the unique interdisciplinary learning environment of USAO. The successful candidate must demonstrate a high degree of individual initiative and observe high standards of personal and professional integrity. Employment is contingent upon a satisfactory background check.

**ABOUT USAO:** The University of Science and Arts of Oklahoma (USAO) is a public liberal arts college located in Chickasha, Oklahoma, about 40 minutes from Oklahoma City, and is a member of the Council of Public Liberal Arts Colleges (COPLAC). It is charged by the Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education "to provide an outstanding general education program for the State of Oklahoma with strong offerings in the liberal arts and sciences. The experience will feature interdisciplinary team-teaching and will extend throughout the undergraduate experience." To support this charge USAO is directed "to assemble a faculty whose interests, knowledge, and experiences transcend their specialized fields of graduate study and who are dedicated to liberal arts education." For more information about USAO, see [www.usao.edu](http://www.usao.edu).

**TO APPLY:** Send a completed USAO application (available at <https://usao.edu/about/personnel.html>), cover letter, curriculum vitae, unofficial copies of undergraduate and graduate transcripts, and the contact information including e-mail addresses for three references, to [careers@usao.edu](mailto:careers@usao.edu). You may also mail them to the Human Resources Office, University of Science and Arts of Oklahoma, 1727 W. Alabama, Chickasha, OK 73018-5322 ATTN: HR Office. Application review begins **February 3, 2025**, and will continue until filled.

### AN AFFIRMATIVE ACTION/EQUAL OPPORTUNITY EMPLOYER

The University of Science and Arts of Oklahoma, a member of COPLAC, is Oklahoma's only publicly supported four-year liberal arts college. A function of the institution is to provide an outstanding general education program with strong offerings in the liberal arts and sciences. The program features interdisciplinary team teaching and extends throughout the student's entire undergraduate experience. Operating on a flexible trimester system which permits the opportunity for accelerated studies, USAO offers a limited number of careers, professional and specialized degree programs which are especially strengthened when combined with an interdisciplinary, liberal arts foundation. The University is located in central Oklahoma, 35 miles southwest of Oklahoma City, in a community of 16,000.

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