



# WEST VIRGINIA STATE UNIVERSITY

**Tenure-Track Assistant Professor of Chemistry (Biochemistry focused)**  
**Department of Chemistry and Physics**  
**College of Natural Sciences and Mathematics**

**West Virginia State University**

West Virginia State University (WVSU) is a public-land grant institution, which was founded in 1891 as a Historically Black College and University (HBCU), and has evolved into a fully accessible, diverse, and multi-generational institution serving approximately 3,500 students. The University is a community of students, staff, and faculty committed to innovative teaching and learning, research and service that offers 23 undergraduate and seven graduate degrees through its four colleges, and competes in athletics at the NCAA Division II level in five men's sports and five women's sports. WVSU is located in Institute, WV, a suburb of Charleston, the largest city and the capital of West Virginia. With more than 300,000 people living in the metropolitan area, it is an active, exciting and engaging community, boasting cultural and historical events, music, festivals and entertainment.

**Position Description**

The Department of Chemistry and Physics at West Virginia State University invites applications for a tenure-track Assistant Professor of Chemistry with the emphasis in Biochemistry. This is a full-time, 9-month position; full-time faculty members are expected to teach 12 credit hours per semester (with course release time available). The Department is housed within the College of Natural Sciences and Mathematics which includes a Masters in Biotechnology with the potential for numerous collaborations. The candidate should have the ability to teach undergraduate courses in general chemistry, biochemistry, and nursing chemistry. Ability to teach graduate level courses would be a bonus. Preferred candidates will be able to teach introductory courses in organic, analytical, or conducts research that would advance the University's Land Grant mission. The candidate is also expected to prepare external and internal grants, engage in research, participate in service activities, and advise students. Our institution strongly supports securing funding from prestigious agencies such as USDA, NSF-EPSCoR, NASA, NIH (WV-INBRE), and DOE.

**Requirements for the Assistant Professor of Chemistry**

Candidates must hold a terminal degree in chemistry by the time of appointment. Postdoctoral experience is preferred.

### **Position Responsibilities**

The successful candidate will demonstrate the ability to teach undergraduate courses in introductory chemistry effectively, catering to both majors and non-majors. Additionally, they will be expected to teach upper-level classes in their area of expertise and/or interest. The candidate should also possess the skills necessary to prepare external and internal grants, actively engage in research, participate in service activities, and provide guidance and mentorship to students.

### **Appointment Status**

This is a 9-month, full-time, benefit-eligible, tenure track Assistant Professor position.

### **Proposed Starting Date**

The anticipated start date for this position will be at the beginning of the Fall 2025 semester.

### **To Apply**

This position will remain open until filled. However, priority consideration will be given to applicants who submit a complete application package, including a resume, cover letter, copies of academic transcripts (originals required upon acceptance of job offer), a short research proposal, and contact information (names, email addresses, or phone numbers) for three professional references by November 12, 2024. Please ensure that all requested information is submitted to have your application considered.

**Please submit application materials via email to [jobs@wvstateu.edu](mailto:jobs@wvstateu.edu) or mail to:**

West Virginia State University  
Department of Human Resources  
PO Box 1000– 304 Ferrell Hall  
Institute, WV 25112-1000  
Phone: 304-766-3152

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