



**College of Journalism and Communications
Department of Journalism**

The Department of Journalism, a leader in journalism education, research and professional outreach, seeks a chair, a collaborative leader who can help move us forward in the University of Florida's push toward preeminence. The new chair will begin July 1, 2015. The diverse faculty members in the Department value the scholarly, collegial and collaborative culture that exists within the Department and across the College.

The Department of Journalism is one of the largest programs in the United States with 17 full-time faculty. The Department serves about 420 undergraduate majors and 50 graduate students, including 20 Ph.D. students. Departmental faculty include the directors of the Brechner Center for Freedom of Information, Marion B. Brechner First Amendment Project and Innovation News Center. Departmental students often win contests such as the Hearst Journalism Awards and SPJ Mark of Excellence Awards. The Department has a strong and active professional advisory council and supports the Florida Scholastic Press Association.

Qualifications: Qualifications of preferred candidates include a distinguished record of research or creative activities, demonstrated leadership or administrative experience, potential for securing external funding and a vision for the future of the Department as we continue to innovate in creative, technological and global aspects of the field. A master's degree is required for this 12-month position. The successful applicant will (1) hold the rank of professor or meet the University of Florida's criteria for full professor upon hire and (2) be eligible for tenure upon hire. The ideal candidate has demonstrated experience in and/or vision for online education and a willingness to actively engage in entrepreneurial activities and partnerships with the profession.

The College of Journalism and Communications has 49 full-time faculty, 69 full-time staff, about 2,200 undergraduate majors and 134 graduate students, including 68 doctoral students through four academic departments: Advertising, Journalism, Public Relations and Telecommunication. The College's Division of Media Properties offers students professional experience through two television stations, two commercial radio stations, two public radio stations, Rock104.com and the Radio Reading Service for the Blind. The Media Properties collaborate closely with Gatorvision, the multimedia unit of University of Florida athletics.

The University of Florida, one of the most comprehensive public universities in the nation, is a member of the Association of American Universities and is included in the Carnegie Commission's list of leading research universities. UF's students come from all 50 states and more than 100 countries. The University of Florida seeks applications and nominations from a broad spectrum of individuals including women, members of diverse ethnic groups and persons with disabilities. The University of Florida is an equal opportunity institution. The "Government in the Sunshine" laws of the State of Florida require that all documents and meetings related to the search process be open.

Application Procedure: To view application instructions and complete an online resume, visit www.hr.ufl.edu/job. The reference/requisition number for this vacancy is 0906683. Applications must include an electronic copy of the following: (1) a letter of interest; (2) complete curriculum vitae; (3) names, addresses and telephone numbers of at least three professional/academic references. The Search Committee may request additional materials at a later time. If an accommodation due to a disability is needed to apply for this position, please call 352-392-4621 or the Florida Relay System at 800-955-8771 (TDD). Questions can be directed to the Search Committee Chair: Dr. Linda Hon, PO Box 118400, University of Florida, Gainesville, FL, 32611-8400 (Telephone 352-294-2745) or Lhon@ufl.edu. Review of applications begins Nov. 1, 2014, and continues until the position is filled.