The Louisiana Universities Marine Consortium for research and education (LUMCON; https://lumcon.edu) seeks to hire two new Assistant Professors in the third phase of multi-year faculty expansion. We are interested in interdisciplinary scientists whose research addresses a wide range of fundamental questions in ocean and coastal sciences. For the first position, we invite qualified coastal or marine scientists, regardless of discipline, whose research uses observation, modelling, theory, and/or laboratory experiments to address these questions, to apply. For the second faculty position, we invite qualified coastal or marine scientists who either primarily focus on engineering/technology or incorporate considerable engineering/technology into their research to apply. This faculty position specifically will both leverage and build programs at LUMCON’s new Blue Works facility (https://lumcon.edu/blue-works/).

Candidates should have notable research achievements, a history of funded research, or potential for funded research, a strong commitment to education and outreach, and a demonstrated commitment to increasing diversity in STEM. Preference will be given to candidates who can clearly demonstrate a research program that maximizes the locality and research assets of the DeFelice Marine Center and Blue Works and complements and extends the strengths of LUMCON and the consortium.

The LUMCON DeFelice Marine Center, located at the upper end of Terrebonne Bay in the Mississippi River deltaic plain between the Atchafalaya and Mississippi rivers, is in close proximity to numerous habitats including extensive marshes, estuaries, rivers large and small, and the open Gulf of Mexico. The Center facilities include a seawater system, multiple wet labs, a racetrack flume, state-of-the-art environmental chambers, extensive aquaculture and experimental tank facilities, a marsh mesocosm facility, and a fleet of research vessels. Our research vessel fleet and proximity to the coast facilitate the use of a broad mix of traditional and innovative instruments and observational techniques to make measurements in many settings from open-ocean to coastal regions. In addition, LUMCON represents a consortium of universities and colleges across the State of Louisiana.

These positions carry a 9-month salary. A six-year review similar to tenure is conducted for promotion to Associate Professor, but LUMCON is not a tenure-granting institution.

Submit electronic copies of 1) a letter of interest; 2) curriculum vita; 3) research statement; 4) a statement on your education and outreach activities/philosophy with examples that illustrate your work improving diversity and inclusion in STEM; 5) a statement of how your research program would use the location of LUMCON’s DeFelice Marine Center and its assets, develop collaborations with faculty at both the Marine Center and at consortium member universities, and collaboratively utilize the resources of the consortium member universities; and 6) the name, affiliation, address, phone and email address of three references to hr@lumcon.edu with the subject LUMCON FACULTY HIRE. Specific questions about the positions can be directed to Dr. Craig R. McClain, Executive Director, cmcclain@lumcon.edu (985-851-2801).

Review of applicants will begin September 20, 2021 and continue until the positions are filled.

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