DEPARTMENT OF CHEMISTRY AND BIOCHEMISTRY

Target of Excellence Scholar Positions at UT Arlington – Chemistry and Biochemistry

The University of Texas at Arlington (UTA)—a distinguished Texas Tier One and Carnegie R-1 Research University—recently launched the *RISE 100* initiative. This ambitious program aims to recruit 100 new tenure-system faculty members to elevate UTA's research standing and position it as a national leader in research excellence and innovation. As part of *RISE 100*, the Department of Chemistry and Biochemistry seeks suitable candidates with exemplary record of scholarship and recognized leadership in any chemistry-related field for *Target of Excellence Scholar* positions, which is intended for accomplished tenure-system faculty at the full professor rank who meet the highest AAU/Carnegie R1 standards of academic achievement. Ideal candidates will have received a prestigious award recognized by the National Council of Research and will contribute to the College of Science's programmatic needs. Suitable candidates will also be nominated for Welch Chair positions. This initiative offers selected faculty members the opportunity to join UTA during a dynamic period of growth, enhancing UTA's impact in scientific research and education. Interested candidates are encouraged to contact Dr. Rasika Dias at dias@uta.edu for more information and to discuss these opportunities.

The Department of Chemistry and Biochemistry at UTA is a vibrant academic unit, with 22 tenured and tenure-track faculty advising over 100 graduate students and 250 undergraduates, supported by 7 Academic Professional Track faculty members. Our department's research spans analytical, organic, biochemistry, physical, and inorganic chemistry, with extensive interdisciplinary collaboration and substantial extramural funding. We are also known for our unique internship program for PhD track students. Faculty benefit from state-of-the-art facilities, cutting-edge laboratories, and interdisciplinary resources, particularly through the Shimadzu Institute for Research Technologies, Center for Nanomaterials, Characterization Center for Materials and Biology, North Texas Genome Center, UTA Research Institute, and Texas Advanced Computing Center (TACC).

UTA is situated in the Dallas-Fort Worth-Arlington metroplex, a diverse area with a growing tech economy and rich cultural offerings. With more than 40,000 students, UTA is the second largest university in the University of Texas System and holds a Carnegie R-1 "Very High Research Activity" designation. We take pride in being recognized as both a Hispanic-Serving Institution (HSI) and an Asian American and Native American Pacific Islander-Serving Institution (AANAPISI), with one of the most ethnically diverse student bodies in the U.S. (U.S. News & World Report, 2023). Additionally, UTA's approximately 270,000 alumni, many of whom lead at Fortune 500 companies in North Texas, contribute to the university's \$22.2 billion annual economic impact on Texas.