The Special Education Program, housed in the College of Education at Oklahoma State University, is seeking a leading thinker and outstanding professional to assume the role of Assistant/Associate Special Education Professor. This is a 9-month, tenure-track position.

The position will be located at the main campus in Stillwater, Oklahoma in the College of Education. The state-of-the-art facility provides contemporary faculty offices, classrooms, laboratories, a reading and math center, and a distance-learning center. Stillwater provides a combination of large city amenities but maintains the charm of a smaller community. Stillwater is ideally situated in relation to Oklahoma City and Tulsa for dining, cultural, and professional sporting events. Stillwater is a remarkable community, offers affordable housing, and has excellent schools. It has been ranked as one of America’s safest cities.

The special education program is accredited and recognized by NCATE/CAEP. The program prepares students as effective special educators. Students are taught to implement evidence-based practices to assist with meeting the educational needs of students with mild/moderate disabilities in inclusive settings. Students are encouraged to become life-long learners and to continually seek professional development in order to enhance the quality of the educational experiences of all students. Applicants should demonstrate an interest in the university’s land grant mission, and a desire to make a positive impact on the community through scholarship, teaching, and service.

The special education faculty is engaged in diverse research that contributes to the quality of special education for children across the state and nation. Ongoing research projects involve increasing special education student participation in STEM, effective transition practices for elementary and secondary students with disabilities, and improving postsecondary outcomes and opportunities for students with disabilities. We welcome applicants with a range of scholarly interests. Candidates with specialization in emotional and behavior disorders or reading and writing instruction for students with disabilities would compliment the current faculty interests.

The special education program values high quality teaching. The program primarily offers graduate courses for the special education option of the Master of Science in Teaching,
Learning, and Leadership and doctoral courses for the special education option for the Doctor of Philosophy in Education. Additionally, the special education program offers a service course for all undergraduate College of Education students. The ideal applicant will have a strong record of effective teaching at the graduate and undergraduate levels in courses dealing with special education assessment and instruction.

RESPONSIBILITIES: The primary assignment will be at the main campus in Stillwater with teaching and advising responsibilities on the Tulsa campus. Responsibilities include the following:

- Teaching courses in special education (primarily graduate courses);
- Advising graduate students and chairing graduate student committees;
- Conducting a program of focused research;
- Leading development activities in school and community settings;
- Supervising students in school and community settings;
- Collaborating with a variety of professionals (public school, university faculty, and community);
- Active involvement in professional organizations, university extension, and obtaining external funding; and
- Professional service to the program, School, and University as well as the professional community at large.

QUALIFICATIONS: Individuals seeking this tenure-track position must possess the following:

1. An earned doctorate with an emphasis in special education or a closely aligned area;
2. A clearly articulated and/or established research agenda situated in the field of special education;
3. A minimum of three years of full-time K-12 special education teaching experience;
4. Evidence of effective teaching; and
5. Evidence of professional service.

Qualified candidates at the Associate level need to demonstrate an established research agenda, scholarly productivity at the national and/or international level, and the ability to secure external funding for research and scholarship.

Preference will be given to applicants with: (1) experience teaching undergraduate and graduate students; (2) successful grant funding; (3) established research productivity; and (4) experience in interdisciplinary work.

APPLICATION INFORMATION: The process of reviewing applications will begin November 1, 2015 and will continue until a successful candidate is selected (contingent upon available funding). To apply, please visit http://jobs.okstate.edu and submit a letter of application, curriculum vitae, statement of teaching, statement of research interests (including comments regarding current and future research pursuits), transcripts, and the names and contact information of three professional references. Each candidate will be notified when initial application materials are received. Applicants should arrange for at least three letters of recommendation, at least one of which addresses the candidate’s teaching sent via email attachment to Connie Dixon at connie.dixon@okstate.edu or uploaded by the applicant directly on http://jobs.okstate.edu.

Search Chair: Dr. Kimberly Davis can be reached at kimbeed@okstate.edu to answer any
applicant questions.

Oklahoma State University is a comprehensive land-grant institution of higher education dedicated to scholarship, teaching, and service with an enrollment of more than 22,000 students. Information regarding the College of Education may be found at http://education.okstate.edu/.

Oklahoma State University is an Affirmative Action/Equal Opportunity/E-verify employer committed to diversity and all qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment and will not be discriminated against based on race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, national origin, disability or protected veteran status. OSU is a VEVRAA Federal Contractor and desires priority referrals of protected veterans for its openings. OSU-Stillwater is a tobacco-free campus.