



## **Community Chair Position in Discipline Based Education Research in the Physical Sciences**

The University of Nebraska at Omaha College of Arts & Sciences seek to fill a tenure track position in interdisciplinary STEM discipline-based education research in Chemistry and/or Physics at the assistant professor or associate professor level, beginning in Fall 2017. The successful applicant will also be named to the position of Community Chair in Physical Science. The community chair position includes a Community Chair's stipend and program operating budget and can be renewed every 3 years, based on a review.

The purpose of the Community Chair in Physical Science is to provide additional leadership in Discipline Based Educational Research in the field of either Chemistry or Physics. The candidate would be responsible for working with STEM faculty at UNO in using best practices in science education, developing graduate course offerings in STEM, and developing innovative ways to address educational needs in terms of programming and funding. The Community Chair in Physical Science will be housed in a department within the UNO College of Arts and Sciences, as determined by the Dean and the selected candidate. There will be a close working relationship between other Community Chairs (in Mathematics, Biological Sciences, and STEM), as well as the UNO Math-Science Learning Center. The incumbent would also interact with community groups as UNO is a metropolitan university with strong ties to the surrounding areas. The position includes teaching and research responsibilities, as well as service responsibilities with other Community Chairs. A competitive salary will be commensurate with qualifications, and the position includes a Community Chair's stipend and program operating budget.

The Ph.D. or equivalent in a physical science discipline (physics and/or chemistry) or in science education with a strong content background is required. The successful candidate will have graduate-level preparation and teaching experience in a physical science discipline and a record of scholarship in discipline based education research. Applicants should have a strong interest in increasing STEM participation by underrepresented groups and a commitment to teacher development and improvement in K-16 science education. The successful candidate will be expected to work with current Community Chairs. The University of Nebraska at Omaha is committed to achieving diversity among faculty and staff. We are particularly interested in receiving applications from members of under represented groups and strongly encourage women and persons of color to apply for this position. Apply for this position at [unomaha.peopleadmin.com/postings/search](http://unomaha.peopleadmin.com/postings/search). *Any questions should be directed to Dr. Robert Shuster ([rshuster@unomaha.edu](mailto:rshuster@unomaha.edu))*. The committee will begin review of applications on January 6 and will continue until a hire is made.