

### **Our COE Roles**



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Ellen Young is the COE's coordinator of all things HR including the advertising of job positions, public notifications of meetings, and all the processes to set up and finalize hiring of personnel.

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## So, How Did We Get Here?

- The framework started about a decade ago as a practice within one department in COE.
- A need for standardization throughout COE led to the development of a more comprehensive and flexible process that could be adapted to individual unit needs.
- The overall focus was to streamline the process; reduce stress; make the candidate feel welcome and comfortable; and have a detailed resource in place for faculty and staff.
- The process works as intended only if all members work as a TEAM. A clear plan helps to divide responsibilities.
- We hope the UF community can take our method, modify it, and OWN it.

### You tell us!

What word(s) comes to mind when you think about faculty searches?



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## **Main Players**

Search Chair (SC)



Support Staff (SS)



HR Personnel (HR)



## **Administrative Approval & First Steps**

Dean (hiring authority) informs department of the availability of position(s).

Search Chair (SC) & Search Committee appointed by Dean in consultation with Department Chair.

Committee usually includes one senior **doctoral student**.

Support Staff (SS) also assigned.

SC, SS, and all committee members must complete training (PVO800).

SC coordinates with Dean's office to schedule first Committee meeting.

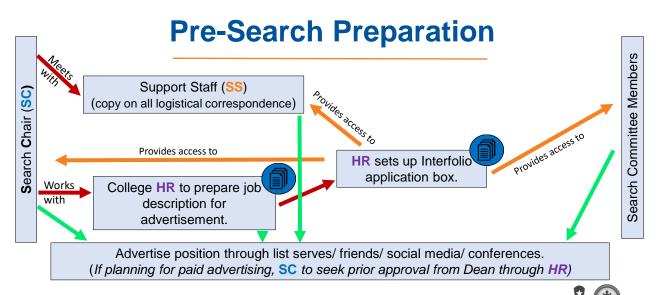
At this meeting, the Dean "gives the charge" — explaining the nature of the position and priorities of the department.

Committee works as a team to finalize the job description.



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## Search Process: Application Review

First evaluation of all applicants completed by individual search committee members.

Online evaluation available on Interfolio.



### Sample offline evaluation sheet

(All documents subject to Sunshine State Laws)

Committee meets to discuss applications. Shortlists candidates for phone/ Zoom interviews.

SC / SS sets up time/ links for phone/ Zoom interviews. SPARK (one-way interview) may be available soon for all.

Committee sets up phone interview protocol / process; conducts interviews; shortlists candidates for campus interviews.

**SC** receives approval from Dean for selected finalist candidates.

Inform HR of all meetings at least three days in advance; HR to post for public per Sunshine State law.



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## **Search Process: Setting dates**

SS / SC request HR to source reference letters for finalist candidates.

SC contacts selected candidates to confirm interest in the position.

After candidate confirms, SC introduces SS.



SS works with Dean's offices/ SC / Department chair to find best dates for campus visits.

SC or SS confirms candidate availability.

SS / SC matches availability with candidate schedule to finalize interview dates.

(3 days: Arrive PM of Day #1; Meetings on Day #2; Spill over meetings and departure on Day #3)



# **Search Process: Setting up Travel**

SS writes to candidate for information needed to set up UFID, transportation, and lodging (name/ DOB/ Address/ Phone/ SSN).

Use DocuSign for security.



SS or HR sets up UFIDs for all candidates.

SS reserves hotel rooms (usually 2 nights); books flights / car rental as needed; sends CC authorization (for room & parking only) and tax exempt certificate to hotel.

SS writes to <u>Travel@ufl.edu</u> to receive approval for processing travel for all candidates. (Candidate name and UFID are required.)

SS sets up Travel Authorization (TA) for all candidates.

TA will be approved by Dean's Office, who also provides Chartfield information.



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# **Local Arrangements**

SS writes to candidate confirming flights/ hotel.



SC requests research presentation title from candidate.

SC/ SS invites colleagues/ doctoral students to help with leading events.

SS begins drafting interview itinerary.



If real estate tour is included in agenda, SS introduces realtor to candidate.



SS organizes swag gift bag as available. (UF branded notepads/cups/pens/bags/etc.)



## Finalizing the Agenda

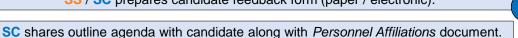
SS and SC collaborate to finalize agenda; Two versions to be created.

Detailed Agenda with transitions for internal circulation.



Outline Agenda for candidate and outside distribution.

SS creates custom Personnel Affiliations document based on meetings in agenda (Optional). SS / SC prepares candidate feedback form (paper / electronic).



**SC** sends out invitations to all COE personnel to attend job talk.

SS / SC provide advanced notice to IT / ETC for audio-visual aid as needed.

SS / SC sends transition agenda and candidate CV to everyone involved in the search.



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## **Interview Days and After**

SC / SS provides hard copies of candidate feedback form at larger meetings. Sends electronic links for feedback by email.

SS ensures candidate has checked out of hotel on last day of visit.

After candidate returns home, SS requests travel related expense receipts. Candidate meals not already covered by UF are calculated at standard UF rates and according to travel time; no receipts are needed.



SS processes travel Expense Report (ER), confirms candidate approval and submits.

SS processes reimbursements to COE faculty for meals with candidates through Travel module, using 'Recruitment expenses' code; itemized receipts needed.

SS reconciles related PCard charges.



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## Wrapping Up

Search Committee reviews campus interviews and feedback.

SC meets with the Dean to review Committee recommendations.

Dean reaches out to top candidate(s) to negotiate and make an offer.

After negotiations are complete, HR works with the Dean to create a formal Letter of Offer.

Once the offer is formally accepted, HR starts onboarding.



Dean informs the College community of new hire.



SC personally calls/ emails unsuccessful campus interviewees.

HR emails other applicants.



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## Tell us again...

What word(s) would you **NOW** use when you think about faculty searches?



## **COVID Adjustments**

- With travel restrictions in place, fewer steps and faster turnaround is possible.
- Maintain a comparable agenda, with all meetings conducted electronically via Zoom.
- Arrange for virtual realtor tours.
- Pay attention to time differences between us and candidates.
- Create individual Zoom links for each meeting to avoid surprise visitors.
- Have 'waiting room' set up in Zoom.
- Be extra careful not to expose electronic links to private meetings in publicly available sites.
- Provide a cell phone number for candidate to contact in case of any glitch.



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## Search-related UF Roles/ Trainings\*

Task	Role	Role Code	Training Module
Guide to Faculty Appointments, Recruitment & Hiri Hiring Grad Students and Fellows? Guide to Hiring and Paying Foreign Nationals? To be a participant in Faculty Search Committee	ng for UF Admins		PRO319 PRO318 PRO336 PVO800
Job requisition	Originator security role Approver security role	UF_N_JRQ Department Req Orig UF_N_JRQ Department Req Appr	PST098 PST099
DocuSign	Sender Author	UF_N_DOCUSIGN_SENDER UF_N_DOCUSIGN_AUTHOR	PST280 PST290
UF Identity Management	Create and manage UFID	UF_PA_IDM_COORDINATOR	BRG500
Travel	Assist with travel In-depth workshop on travel @UF	UF_FI_UNIVERSAL INQUIRY UF_EX_EMPLOYEE	PST930 PRO306
PCard	For all Users	For all applying for a PCard UF_PO_PCard_Approver UF_PO_PCard_Reconciler	PST975 PST978 PST978

<sup>\*</sup>Requirements are regularly updated; this list may not include all trainings required by a unit.

### **Useful Links**

- UF Job Site to share with candidates
- All about UF DocuSign
- Setting up UF Identifier (UFID)
- <u>UF Travel</u>
- UF Onboarding Toolkit
- UF: A-Z of Hiring
- · Getting to Know Gainesville:
  - Home Magazine-Gainesville
  - Visit Gainesville

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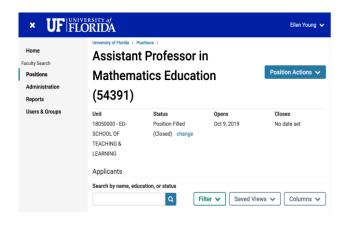
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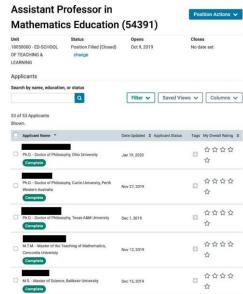


Sample of Advertized Job Description

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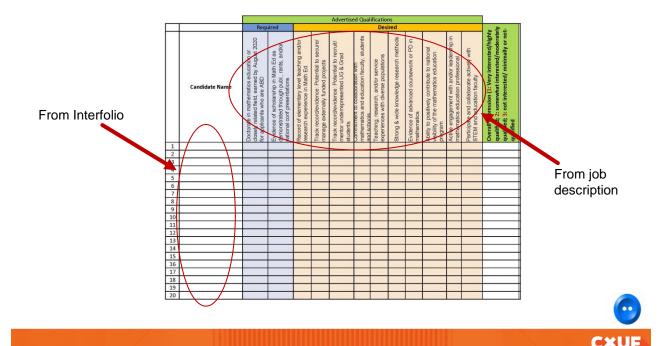
### InterInterfolio (through my.ufl.edu >HR>Recruitment)





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### Confirming interest in position

#### Dear XXXX,

I am very pleased to share with you that the Search Committee for the XXXXX position you applied for would like to officially invite you to continue the interview process with a campus visit.

First, please confirm that you are still interested in this position and in visiting the University of Florida campus. If so, I will connect you with Staff Support Name, who will coordinate your agenda for your visit and help you make your travel arrangements. We would like to schedule your visit as soon as possible in early January.

Members of the search committee really enjoyed their conversation with you and we all look forward to meeting you in person to learn more about your work and to share more with you about the position, our program area, the School of Teaching and Learning, and the University of Florida.

I look forward to hearing from you.

### Introducing SS

Sincerely,

Wonderful! I have copied Staff Support Name on this email so she can reach out to you to begin the coordination of your on-campus interview, including arranging for your travel to Gainesville. In addition, if you'd like to schedule a phone call to touch base on your visit, I'm happy to do so as well.

Have a great weekend.

Best,

Search Chair



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### Gathering information

(If sending email, SSN needs to be called in. Alternatively, use Docusign)

#### Dear XXXX

Greetings from the University of Floridal Following up on our phone conversation, I write to confirm your visit to UF from Month/Date/Year. We plan to have you come in late afternoon/early evening on Month/Date and be able to leave around noon on Month/Date.

To make the travel arrangements to visit us, we will first need to set you up in the UF system. I need the following information from you to make that happen:

- Full legal name as it appears in your ID card
- Date of birt
- Complete mailing address (to be used to send checks for travel reimbursement)
- A good phone number to reach you
- \*Please send me a preferred itinerary with to and for flight information clearly indicated (including airlines, flight numbers, airports, times of arrival and departure). We will do our best to match your preferences.

I look forward to hearing back from you.

Best wishes,

#### \*Notes

- If candidate is traveling from a place that requires multiple connections, offer to arrive at Jacksonville/ Orlando airports if that is easier; include rental car in travel (using UF approved vendor-currently, AVI)
- If candidate is close enough to drive to Gainesville, ask for location of rental (preferred). If choosing to drive personal vehicle, only mileage can be paid @ approved rate/mile.



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#### Dear XXXX,

Attached are the following documents\*:

- Your flight tickets to and from Gainesville on Delta Airlines. I have picked aisle seats for you at this time, but feel free to change them if you prefer different.
- Your hotel reservation at the Name of Hotel. More information on the hotel is available at add link to website of hotel

Please make sure that all the details are as we discussed them. During your travel, please save any receipts for baggage fees, shuttle, cab, airport parking and the like, and scan and send to me after you return home from Gainesville. I do **not** need meal receipts. Meals are reimbursed (as applicable) at predetermined UF rates. Let me know if you have any questions or concerns regarding travel.

Search Chair will be in touch with you regarding the details of your interview schedule at UF.

We look forward to meeting you.

\*Modify depending on mode of travel



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### Agenda Items

Typically interviews begin with dinner on Day #1; full day on Day #2; and half day on Day #3.

- · \*Search Committee meeting
- · \*Research and Teaching presentation
- \*Meetings with Dean, and Associate Deans (including faculty and research). If it is a clinical faculty position with minimal research requirement, then Dean for Research schedule may be reconsidered).
- · Meeting with Doctoral students
- · Meals with faculty/ doctoral students
- · Real estate tour
- · Tour of campus
- · Tour of local schools/ places of academic interest/ centers or institutes
- Meeting with tech support (course building/ research)
- Meeting with affiliated faculty across campus (Diversity/ content area/ Women's Studies/Other).
- · Search chair can ask if there are people candidate would like to meet if schedules permit.
- \* Common across all agendas



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### Introducing the realtor

#### Dear xxxxxx

A real estate tour is built into your interview schedule with us. I am writing today to introduce you to the realtor who will be showing you around. This experience is designed as an effective way to see a little more of Gainesville, while also looking at housing options. I want to emphasize that your preference of housing (apartment/home; renting/buying) plays no part whatsoever in the selection process. All conversations between you and the realtor are private and personal, and we do not require that they report to us.

It is with pleasure that I introduce you to REALTOR NAME of COMPANY NAME. I am connecting you early so that you have some time to discuss preferences. Please let Realtor name know your preferences, so Realtor Name can line up some homes that make the best fit for you.

Per the yet-to-be-finalized schedule, Realtor Name will pick you up at xxxxxx am from xxxxx on Day/Date/Time and drop you off at the xxxxxxxx at TIME. Realtor name can reached by email (copied) and/or phone (xxx-xxx-xxxx) and I would encourage you to reach out soon so that there is sufficient time to match available homes to your preferences.

Realtor Name: Our guest, Candidate Name, is coming in from xxxxxxxxx. He/She can be reached by email and phone (xxx-xxxxx). Search chair name, the Search Committee chair, is also copied on this initial email for information. We don't anticipate major changes to the schedule, but will be in touch if it becomes necessary.

Best,



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#### Campus Interview Schedule for Dr. Chonika Coleman-King (January 15- 17, 2019)

#### Tuesday, January 15, 2019

04:17 PM	Arrive in Gainesville (Delta 3531) Nancy to pick up from airport	
05:30 PM	Dinner with Nancy Dana, Vicki Vescio and Chris Busey Nancy to coordinate	

#### Wednesday, January 16, 2019

07:45 AM	Breakfast with Phil Poekert, Director, Lastinger Center, COE (at Hampton Inn) Phil to bring in candidate to Norman Hall by 8:30a.
08:30 AM	Prepare for presentation (NRN 2-240)
08:45 AM	Research Presentation: (NRN 2-240) Teacher Education Research for the 21st Century: Preparing Educators and Scholars to Tackle Diversity Tackle Diversity Tunna to walk candidate to 2-2960
09:45 AM	Ester de Jong, Director, STL (NRN 2-290D) STL staff to transfer candidate at 10:30a to NRN 2-280
10:45 AM	Search committee meeting (NRN 2-280) (Nancy Dana, Sevan Terzian, Chris Busey, Cynthia Griffin, Tianna Dowie-Chin)
11:45 AM	Meeting with current PhD students hosted by Tianna Dowie-Chin (NRN 2-280) Tianna to walk capatidate to NRN 2-270
12:15 PM	Alyson Adams, Assoc. Director for Teaching & Teacher Education (NRN 2-270D)  Alyson to walk condidate to 2-280
12:40 PM	Lunch with program area faculty (NRN 2-280) Leela to walk candidate to NRN 2-983A
01:30 PM	Tom Dana, Sr. Associate Dean, Academic Affairs (NRN 2-083A)  Dean's office staff to transfer candidate between offices
02:00 PM	Glenn Good, Dean, College of Education (NRN 2-082A)  Leela to pick up candidate at 2:30p and bring to NRN 230-F
02:45 PM	Ana Puig, Research Director, OER, COE (NRN 2-230F)  Chris to pick up candidate at 3:15p and drive to PEY. Meet host at front office.
03:30 PM	Tour of PK Yonge Developmental Research School hosted by Dr. Lynda Hayes Chris to pick up condidate at 4:15p
04:15 PM	Chris Busey to transport candidate to Hampton Inn Downtown  Chris facilitates informal meeting with African American Studies' Latin Studies faculty (if available  de drops candidate at hotel by 6 pm
06:30 PM	Dinner with Buffy Bondy and Gage Jeter Buffy to coordinate

#### Thursday, January 17, 2019

	Check out.	
07:45 AM	Breakfast with Nancy Dana (Search Chair) at Hampton Inn	
08:30 AM	Dagni Christian to pick up from hotel	
08:45 AM	Tour of JJ Finley Elementary school hosted by Dagni Christian Anna to pick up candidate from JJ Finley at 9:45a (front steps by flagpole)	
10:00 AM	Real estate tour with Anna Guarino  Anna to drop condidate at GNV airport	
12:45 PM	Arrive at Gainesville airport	
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#### Notes

Outline Agenda

Our SCs most often meet candidates at airport, if arriving in GNV. Swag, if available, is given at this time or at initial dinner.



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#### Personnel affiliations

- Dr. Alyson Adams, Associate Director for Teaching and Teacher Education, STL, COE
  - o https://vimeo.com/283764464/66a702a3a1
- Dr. Buffy (Elizabeth) Bondy, Professor, TSS program area, STL, COE
- Dr. Christopher Busey, Assistant Professor, TSS program area, STL, COE & Search Committee Member (

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- Ms. Dagni Christian, Teacher Coach & Partnership Coordinator, STL, COE
- Dr. Nancy Dana, Professor, TSS program area, STL, COE & Search Committee Chair

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- Dr. Tom Dana, Professor and Sr. Associate Dean of Academic Affairs, COE
- Dr. Ester de Jong, Director, STL, COE

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- Ms. Tianna Dowie-Chin, Doctoral candidate, TSS program area, STL, COE & Search Committee Member
- Dr. Glenn Good, Professor and Dean, COE
- Dr. Cynthia Griffin, Professor, Special Education, COE & Search Committee Member
- Ms. Anna Guarino, Realtor, Coldwell Banker MM Parrish
- Dr. Lynda Hayes, Director, P K Yonge Developmental Research School, COE
- Dr. Gage Jeter, Clinical Assistant Professor, TSS program area, STL, COE
- Dr. Leela Kumaran, Research Coordinator, STL, COE
- Dr. Phil Poekert, Director, Lastinger Center, COE
- Dr. Ana Puig, Research Director, Office of Educational Research, COE
- Dr. Sevan Terzian, Professor, TSS program area, STL, COE & Search Committee Member
- Dr. Vicki Vescio, Clinical Assistant Professor, TSS program area, STL, COE

### Feedback form

NAME OF CANDIDATE
Candidate for XXXXXXXXX position
DATE OF INTERVIEW

Date Form Completed:

What kinds of contact did you have with the candidate?

\_\_\_\_\_ Reviewed vita and/or application

\_\_\_\_\_ Attended research presentation
\_\_\_\_\_ Attended a 30-60 minute meeting with the candidate

\_\_\_\_\_ Participated in an informal event (meal, transportation to events)

What are the major strengths of this candidate?

What areas of weakness did you perceive?

What kind of mentoring do you believe this candidate would need to succeed at UF?

What is your overall rating of the candidate?

Outstanding— Strong Undecided—I see many strengths but a get away! Contribution at UF Concern Undecided—I see many strengths but a concern Undecided Undecided Undecided Undecided Undecided Undecided Un

Your role: \_\_\_Full-time Faculty \_\_\_\_Part-time Faculty \_\_\_\_Other

Your name (optional):

Please return the form to the mailbox of XXXXXXXX either in hard copy or electronically (Email of Search Chair)



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Agenda with transitions

### Wrapping up

Dear xxxx,

It was a pleasure meeting you! We hope you enjoyed your visit, had a smooth trip back and all is well at home.

If you have any receipts for incidentals during travel (parking, baggage, shuttle, and the like), please scan and send them to me at the earliest so we can process your travel reimbursement. I do not need receipts for any meal.

If there are no receipts, please let me know so I can wrap up the process here. ©

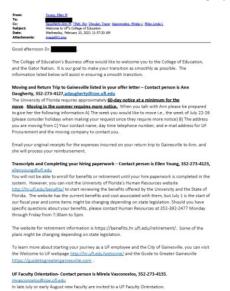
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### Onboarding

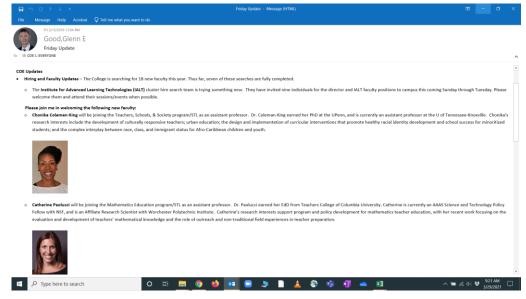


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### Welcome to COE





### Sample Letters For Unsuccessful Candidates

Thank you for your application for the Assistant/Associate professor position in the Teachers, Schools, and Society program area in the College of Education at University of Florida. We received many strong applications for the position and had to make some difficult choices on who we would move forward to the interview phase of the search. I regret to inform you that you were not selected to move forward with this phase of the search at this time.

The search committee enjoyed reviewing your application and learning more about your work. We wish you the very best.

Sincerely,

Dear\_\_\_\_,

Thank you for applying for the position of \_\_\_\_\_ in the School of \_\_\_\_\_ , job number \_\_\_\_ with the University of Florida. We had an exceptionally talented and deep applicant pool. I regret to inform you that you were not selected to move forward to the interview phase of the search at this time.

Should a future position be advertised we would welcome your application. Again, we are pleased that you considered the University of Florida as a prospective employer and look forward to further professional contact and collaboration in the future.

Kind regards,







## Poll: Rate this session

- Excellent
- o Good
- Neutral
- Needs Improvement

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