**Job Title:** Tenure-Track – Assistant/Associate Professor in Rehabilitation Counseling Programs

**Location:** LSU Shreveport, Shreveport, Louisiana

**The Opportunity:**

Are you seeking refuge from the high costs of living in big cities? Do you wish to significantly contribute to a smaller community that truly NEEDS and VALUES your expertise?

**Louisiana State University Shreveport** (LSUS) is seeking candidates with an entrepreneurial spirit to join our in-person, 60-hour CACREP-Accredited Counseling programs in August 2024. We provide two master's degrees: one in Clinical Mental Health Counseling and another in Rehabilitation Counseling. Additionally, we offer a Graduate Certificate in Rehabilitation Counseling. Our master’s programs are grounded in the practitioner-scientist training model, which balances clinical practice with scholarly knowledge. There is a significant emphasis on research design and methodology. Our approach incorporates a wellness model, teaching counseling students how to consider the whole person and address cognitive, emotional, and behavioral issues from a developmental standpoint. This includes specific focus on areas such as career development, crisis management, cultural factors, disability, relationships, spirituality, and technology.

**About LSU Shreveport:**

Situated in the ArkLaTex region near the Texas and Arkansas borders, Louisiana State University Shreveport is the academic heart of Northwest Louisiana. With its strategic location, LSUS is conveniently accessible from major cities like Dallas, Houston, and New Orleans, blending a laid-back atmosphere with the advantages of city life. LSUS offers a wide range of undergraduate and master's programs, along with a Doctorate in Leadership Studies.

**Shreveport: A Canvas for Your Aspirations:**

* ***College Town:*** Immerse yourself in the dynamic atmosphere of a true college town, featuring esteemed institutions such as LSU Shreveport, the medical school at LSU Health Shreveport and the institution’s Louisiana Addiction Research Center, Centenary College, and others, all contributing to a richly diverse intellectual and cultural environment possible for collaboration.
* ***Historic Charm:*** Discover the architectural treasures of Broadmoor, Highland, and South Highlands neighborhoods. As of November 2023, Mid-Century homes in Broadmoor's sought-after residences were selling at a median of $195K, and South Highlands' historical homes at a median of $267K. Highland stands out as Shreveport's most diverse and progressive-thinking neighborhood nestled just south of downtown, offering homes at a median price of $130K.
* ***Community Life:*** Participate in the lively family-friendly Carnival celebrations of the region’s 16 Mardi Gras Krewes, immerse yourself in the Downtown arts scene featuring the Robinson Film Center and the Strand (the official state theatre of Louisiana), and create with the emerging film industry supported by Film Prize and 50 Cent’s new, G-Unit TV and Film Studio. Shreveport hosts dozens of festivals with regional food and music, such as Mudbug Madness, the Red River Revel, and Prize Fest, and offers regular theatrical productions and performances of ballet, symphony, and opera.
* ***Culinary Scene:*** Delight in a wide array of culinary experiences, ranging from authentic Cajun and Creole tastes to a variety of international flavors including Asian, Caribbean, Indian, Mexican, and BBQ. Savor everything from beignets and king cakes to pan de dulce and pupusas, exploring local farmer's and ethnic food markets, quaint eateries, upscale steakhouses, and fine dining establishments.
* ***Health & Wellness:*** Enjoy the peace of serene lakes and the Red River biking trail, along with a conveniently short average commute of only 19.6 minutes. Shreveport boasts a robust medical community, featuring efficient services and progressive medical cannabis laws. Key healthcare providers include Ochsner LSU Health and Willis-Knighton.
* ***Religion & Spirituality:*** Explore Shreveport's rich tapestry of faiths, from Baptist, Methodist, and Lutheran, to Jewish, Catholic, and Muslim congregations; and embrace diverse spiritual and wellness opportunities, including a Brahma Kumaris meditation center, yoga studios, and Reiki energy healing services.
* ***Schools:*** Discover the exceptional educational opportunities for your children at South Highlands Elementary Magnet, consistently lauded as Louisiana's top-ranked elementary school by the Louisiana Department of Education since 1998, and Loyola College Prep, which is among the oldest functioning former Jesuit high schools in the United States.
* ***Transportation:*** Benefit from stress-free travel on direct flights from our regional airport to major cities such as Atlanta, Dallas, Denver, Charlotte, Houston, and Las Vegas with seasonal flights to Los Angeles, Destin, and Orlando, as well as the upcoming Amtrak services in 2025. Interstates 20 and 49 run through the city making it easy to drive to Dallas and New Orleans respectively.

**Preferred Qualifications:**

* A strong interest in contributing to both our academic and local communities guided by your counseling research agenda and professional interests.
* Ability to use various technology software and tools related to the course topics.
* Bilingual in English/Spanish.

**Required Qualifications:**

* Doctorate in counselor education at the time of appointment OR a doctoral degree in a related discipline and have been employed for one full academic year as a full-time faculty member in a counselor education program before July 1, 2013.
* Licensed or license-eligible as a Professional Counselor in the state of Louisiana.
* Demonstrated experience in teaching, clinical work, and publishing research.
* Strong interpersonal and communication skills.
* ABD will be considered.

**Responsibilities:**

* Teach graduate courses in Clinical Mental Health and/or Rehabilitation Counseling.
* Engage in research and scholarly activities in your area of expertise.
* Provide service to the university and the professional community.
* Supervise and mentor students in their clinical and academic development.
* Collaborate with colleagues on program development and accreditation processes.

**What We Offer:**

* A competitive salary and comprehensive benefits package.
* Opportunities for professional growth and development.
* A supportive, collegial environment in a university that values community engagement and teaching.

**Application Process:**

Interested candidates should submit a cover letter, curriculum vitae, statement of teaching philosophy, research interests, and contact information for three professional references:

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