

**Assistant Professor or Associate Professor of Political Science/Department Chair
Mississippi College**

The Department of History & Political Science at Mississippi College invites applicants for a tenure-track Assistant Professor or Associate Professor of Political Science to start in the Fall 2026 semester. Associate Professor candidates will also be considered for the role of Department Chair, which comes with a course reduction and stipend.

Ph.D. in Political Science required; A D.P.A. with qualifications to teach courses in American government will be considered. An in-hand Ph.D. is strongly preferred; regardless, the Ph.D. must be earned by the start of the initial appointment in August 2026. The candidate's primary field must be United States Government. Any additional ability in the area of Public Administration or Public Policy is desirable. The ideal candidate will be expected to teach both the introductory course in United States Government and the program's summary Capstone course. Additionally, the successful candidate will be expected to teach our upper-division courses in both American Government and Political Theory, including (but not limited to): The Presidency, Congress, Political Parties and Elections, Political Theory, and American Political Thought. An ability and desire to create and teach additional courses in US government and politics or political theory is welcomed and encouraged.

Responsibilities include a normal teaching load of four courses per semester (three if department chair), student advising and mentoring, curriculum and program development, participation in departmental, college, and university governance structures, and active involvement in scholarly activities. The successful candidate will also play a key role in graduate program development.

Please complete the application form at http://www.mc.edu/offices/human-resources/index.php/download_file/view/10/ and send it accompanied by a letter of application, CV, and a list of three references electronically to department chair Dr. Patrick Connelly (plconnelly@mc.edu), Department of History and Political Science, Mississippi College, Clinton, MS 39058. Review of applications will begin on December 1, 2025. Additional materials may be requested after initial screening, and shortlisted candidates will be invited to interview.

Mississippi College is a private, co-educational, comprehensive university of liberal arts, sciences, and professional studies dedicated to the pursuit of academic excellence. Mississippi College's beautiful 325-acre campus is located in Clinton, Mississippi, which is in the Jackson metropolitan area. Clinton is a growing community with one of the top school districts in the state. Conveniently located near I-20, it is also within easy driving distance to New Orleans, Memphis, Birmingham, and the Gulf Coast.

As a Christian university, Mississippi College seeks faculty who model an active and vibrant faith, value the integration of faith and learning throughout the educational process, and are committed to the mission of the institution. Learn more about the values and mission of the university here: <https://www.mc.edu/about/mission>.