



TENURE-TRACK ASSISTANT PROFESSOR POSITION IN OBSERVATIONAL ASTRONOMY

The Department of Physics & Astronomy at San Francisco State University invites applications for a tenure-track Assistant Professor position in Observational Astronomy beginning August 2019. The Department of Physics & Astronomy offers B.A., B.S., and M.S. degree programs, and we are especially interested in qualified candidates who can contribute to the excellence of the academic community through their research, teaching, service and diversity. We seek a colleague who will create and foster an active program in Observational Astronomy, and who is enthusiastic about mentoring students and involving them in ongoing research activities, including graduate students working on M.S. theses. The newly appointed professor will join and collaborate with faculty in theoretical, computational, and experimental physics, observational astronomy, theoretical and computational astrophysics, and physics & astronomy education research.

The mission of San Francisco State University is to create and maintain an environment for learning that promotes respect for and appreciation of scholarship, freedom, human diversity, and the cultural mosaic of the City of San Francisco and the Bay Area; to promote excellence in instruction and intellectual accomplishment; and to provide broadly accessible higher education for residents of the region and state, as well as the nation and world. To fulfill its mission, the University is committed to the following goals:

- Attracting, retaining and graduating a highly diverse student body;
- Providing disciplinary and interdisciplinary liberal arts and professional education that is academically rigorous and intellectually challenging;
- Providing curricula that reflect all dimensions of human diversity, and that encourage critical thinking and a commitment to social justice;
- Recruiting, retaining and supporting a diverse faculty whose teaching demonstrates an active engagement with their individual fields of study and whose creative and scholarly work is an extension of the classroom, laboratory or studio;
- Employing a staff and administration reflecting the diversity of our student community and the values of the campus;
- Fostering a collegial and cooperative intellectual environment that includes recognition and appreciation of differing viewpoints and promotes academic freedom within the University community; and
- Serving the communities with which its students and faculty are engaged.

Responsibilities: The position requires teaching undergraduate and graduate courses in astronomy and physics, mentoring and advising undergraduate and graduate students, developing an active research program in one's area of specialty, and ongoing committee and service assignments. Detailed position description is available at <http://www.physics.sfsu.edu>.

Qualifications:

Required:

- Ph.D. in Physics, Astronomy, Astrophysics or closely related field. Terminal degree must be completed by the first day of employment.

Preferred:

- Record of teaching contributions in the areas of undergraduate and graduate astronomy and physics;
- Active record of scholarship related to specialty area and evidence of external support or the potential for external funding;
- Demonstrated ability to incorporate inclusion, diversity, and educational equity in teaching, and/or scholarship/creative works;
- Experience teaching and working closely with students from historically under-represented communities;
- Record of contributing to collegial, supportive and collaborative work environments.

Rank and salary: Assistant Professor. Salary commensurate with qualifications and experience. The California State University (CSU) provides generous health, retirement and other benefits.

Application: Please submit (i) cover letter, (ii) a current CV (including publications list), (iii) a description of research interests and how you will engage students in research activities, (iv) a statement on teaching interests and philosophy, including how your teaching and scholarship align with the commitment of the Department of Physics & Astronomy to foster an inclusive and diverse academic community, and (v) three letters of recommendation. Application review begins **December 19, 2018**, and continues until filled. All required documents must be submitted online at

<https://academicjobsonline.org/ajo/jobs/11747>.

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