

**Open-Rank Professor of Forensic Science
Lasell University**

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Job Title Open-Rank Professor of Forensic Science
Department School of Health Sciences
Institution Lasell University
Newton, Massachusetts

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Application Deadline Open until filled
Position Start Date Available immediately

Job Categories Assistant Professor
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Academic Field(s) Forensic Sciences

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Job Description

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Open-Rank Professor of Forensic Science

Academic Career & Executive Search is pleased to assist Lasell University in its search for open-rank Professor of Forensic Science.

For full consideration, please apply by July 11, 2025.

Lasell University invites applications for a full-time, 9-month open-rank Professor of Forensic Science to join this highly regarded, nationally recognized program within the School of Health Sciences. This is a rare opportunity to join a highly successful and sought-after forensic science bachelor's program, one of only 31 in the nation accredited by the Forensic Science Education Programs Accreditation

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Commission (FEPAC), and the only undergraduate program in Massachusetts to hold this distinction. The successful candidate will have the ability to work both within and beyond program specific needs to shape the on-going development of the curricula offered within the School of Health Sciences.

With student demand continuing to grow, the successful candidate will play a pivotal role in shaping the curriculum, mentoring students, and furthering Lasell's commitment to inclusive, experiential learning. Faculty bring deep expertise in forensic science, law enforcement, and criminology, and are often called upon by media for expert commentary, reinforcing the program's strong public presence and credibility. Located just 8 miles from Boston, Lasell offers state-of-the-art forensic labs and robust internship placements with agencies such as the Massachusetts State Police Crime Lab. This, combined with Lasell's dedication to inclusive, student-focused education, presents a unique opportunity to contribute to curriculum innovation and strengthen a program built on excellence, rigor, and real-world application.

This position reports to the Program Chair of Forensic Science and is a non-tenure track appointment (Lasell is a non-tenure granting institution). Faculty teach 4 courses (12 credits) per semester, are on campus at least four days per week, and may have the opportunity to teach in summer. Teaching responsibilities include forensic science courses and non-forensic science-based courses which align with candidate's expertise.

KEY RESPONSIBILITIES

- Contribute to course development aligned with FEPAC standards
- Provide didactic and laboratory instruction and assessment
- Mentor and advise undergraduate students
- Active participation in school and college service that includes but is not limited to faculty standing committee work and academic advising
- Serve as a visible advocate for the forensic science program, engaging with prospective students and the public
- Support the Connected Learning philosophy through project-based teaching
- Contribute to a diverse, inclusive educational environment

KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS AND ABILITIES

- Demonstrated excellence and enthusiasm in teaching and student advocacy
- Commitment to productivity and professional development
- Strong communication and interpersonal skills
- Ability to collaborate in a collegial team environment

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- Interest in contributing to Honors and Core Curriculum (optional opportunity)

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS

- Ph.D. in Forensic Science, Biology, Chemistry, Physics, or a closely related field
- Demonstrated ability to teach both advanced forensic science courses and foundational general science courses at the undergraduate level
- Experience mentoring undergraduate students through capstone research projects

PREFERRED QUALIFICATIONS

- Prior college teaching experience
- Proven ability to attract and retain new students
- Professional experience in forensic science analysis within an accredited or nationally recognized crime laboratory
- Familiarity with, or direct experience in, academic programs accredited by the AAFS Forensic Science Education Programs Accreditation Commission (FEPAC)

About the Institution

Founded in 1851, Lasell University is a private institution offering professionally oriented bachelor's and master's degree programs. Lasell emphasizes Connected Learning, enabling students to gain practical experience in their fields of study. The University is located in Newton, Massachusetts, just 8 miles from downtown Boston, and serves approximately 1,700 undergraduate and 400 graduate students. The campus spans 54 acres in the historic Lasell Neighborhood Historic District, providing a blend of suburban tranquility and proximity to urban opportunities.

The university emphasizes experiential learning through its "Connected Learning" approach, integrating classroom instruction with real-world applications. This methodology is supported by a 14:1 student-to-faculty ratio, fostering personalized attention and collaborative education. Students engage in internships, service learning, and community projects, preparing them for professional success.

Lasell offers programs across various disciplines, including business, communication, fashion, health sciences, and humanities. Notably, the university provides accelerated master's programs, allowing students to earn both bachelor's and master's degrees in as few as five years. Graduate offerings include degrees in criminal justice, communication, and education, with flexible formats to accommodate working professionals.

The university's location offers access to Boston's rich cultural and professional landscape, while the campus itself provides a supportive and engaging environment for academic and personal growth. Lasell is deeply committed to fostering an inclusive campus culture and supports equity and

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intercultural competence across its community. Lasell University continues to prepare students for meaningful careers and lifelong learning.

Living in the Area

Newton, MA, consistently ranked among the best places to live in the U.S., offers a suburban charm with quick access to the academic, cultural, and economic opportunities of nearby Boston. The university's campus is nestled within the Lasell Neighborhood Historic District in Auburndale village, characterized by tree-lined streets and historic architecture. This area provides a peaceful residential environment and serene setting close to city amenities.

The city is renowned for its vibrant arts scene, including a variety of art classes, exhibitions, and cultural programs for all ages. Recreationally, Newton boasts an array of parks and outdoor spaces. Hammond Pond Reservation, a 59-acre protected woodland park, offers hiking trails, fishing opportunities, and rock-climbing spots, making it a haven for nature enthusiasts. The Charles River Bike Path provides a scenic route for cyclists and pedestrians, stretching from Boston to Auburndale.

The neighborhood is well-connected by public transportation, with the Auburndale and Riverside MBTA commuter rail stations offering direct access to downtown Boston. Proximity to Logan International Airport further enhances regional and global connectivity. Whether you're a student, faculty member, or family, the area provides a conducive environment for both study and leisure combining the best of both worlds: the charm and safety of a historic suburban neighborhood with dynamic energy and opportunities of the Boston metropolitan area.

To Apply

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To be viewed by the search firm, you must apply directly at:

<https://acesrch.applicantstack.com/x/detail/a21esjydz48x>

Please apply through the application link and do not email applications.

Applications will be reviewed as they are received and should include a cover letter and curriculum vita. Ideally cover letters should not exceed two pages. All applications are treated confidentially.

Inquiries, referrals, and nominations are also treated confidentially.

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Inquiries and questions: Please send to LasellForensicScience@acesrch.com

Nominations and referrals: Please send the nominee's name, title, and contact information if available to nominations@acesrch.com

Institutional Information

We seek faculty and staff who appreciate the value diversity brings to a campus community and are eager to foster an inclusive environment here at Lasell.

Lasell University is committed to equal opportunity in every aspect of hiring and employment. Lasell proactively reviews its policies and practices to assure that decisions with respect to every dimension of employment are made without regard to age, color of skin, disability, gender expression and identity, genetic predisposition, marital status, national origin, race, ethnicity, religion, sex, sexual orientation, veteran's status, status as a victim of domestic violence, and all other protected groups and classes under Federal and State Laws and executive orders.

Contact Information

Please reference Academickeys in your cover letter when applying for or inquiring about this job announcement.

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