



[The College of Idaho](#) invites applications for a one-year Visiting Assistant Professor in psychology to start in August 2026. We seek candidates who share the College's commitment to creating an inclusive academic community through their teaching and scholarly activity.

The Visiting Assistant Professor is a non-tenure track position with teaching as the primary responsibility. Successful applicants will be prepared to teach required courses in general psychology and research methods. The ability to teach a survey course in cognitive psychology, biological psychology, or related topics is also important. The annual teaching load is 7 courses distributed as 3 fall, 1 winter, 3 spring. The College supports an innovative Winter Term during which the psychology department offers exploratory and specialized courses in the faculty member's area of expertise. Actual course assignments will be determined based on the candidate's experience and departmental needs.

The successful candidate will be an active scholar interested in strengthening undergraduate students' research knowledge and skills. The College provides modest funds for professional development and conference travel. For candidates with active research agendas, the [psychology department](#) supports an undergraduate subject pool, data collection facilities, community connections, and online data collection resources. Students are regular collaborators through course projects, research courses, work-study employment, and research theses in their graduating year.

Qualifications

A Ph.D. in psychology or a related field is required at the time of appointment. Advanced ABD candidates will be considered.

Candidates must be authorized to work in the United States as of the expected hire date and throughout the date of the contract without sponsorship from the College.

Application instructions

Review of applications will begin immediately and continue until the position is filled.

Applications should include

- (1) Curriculum Vitae
- (2) unofficial transcripts
- (3) a comprehensive cover letter that must:
 - (a) describe the applicant's expertise and preparation for this position with some consideration of the [College mission](#) and the psychology department [curriculum](#),
 - (b) summarize the applicant's teaching philosophy and teaching experience with some discussion of teaching effectiveness, and
 - (c) include names and contact information for three professional recommendations, at least one of which must be a colleague who directly observed the applicant's teaching.
- (4) documents that support the discussion of teaching effectiveness, for example: a sample syllabus, an assignment or in-class activity, student artifacts, faculty feedback on teaching, or student feedback on teaching

Please submit application materials to careers@collegeofidaho.edu with subject: **Psychology VAP**. Additional information may be requested after initial review of applications.

The College

With over 134 years of history, the College of Idaho is a regional and national leader in higher education. The College of Idaho is a [mission-driven community](#) of exceptional learning that challenges the ambitious and forges pathways to success and purpose.

The College of Idaho is proud to be an equal opportunity employer. We are dedicated to attracting, retaining, and optimizing performance and academic excellence through an inclusive workforce. The College does not discriminate on the basis of sex, race, color, age, religion, disability, national and ethnic origin, veteran status, sexual orientation, gender identity, or any other basis protected by law.

The College offers competitive benefits including tuition waiver for dependents, health insurance, retirement plan with employer match, free access to on-campus fitness centers, and free admission to campus events. Spouses, domestic partners, and dependents are eligible for benefits coverage.

Community

The College of Idaho is located in Caldwell, a rural community with a vibrant downtown that is on the western edge of the Boise metropolitan area, providing opportunities for both small-town and city living. The diverse landscape of the area consists of river valleys, high desert, and mountains, which support a wide range of recreational activities. Boise and the surrounding area also provide opportunities to enjoy a rich and wide array of cultural experiences and artistic venues. More information can be found at <https://www.destinationcaldwell.com>, <https://visitboise.com>, and <https://visitidaho.org/>.