College of Family and Consumer Sciences
Department of Textiles, Merchandising and Interiors
Assistant Professor of Polymer, Fiber & Textile Sciences

POSITION: Assistant Professor in the Department of Textiles, Merchandising and Interiors in the College of Family and Consumer Sciences, the University of Georgia, Athens, GA (9-month, tenure-track appointment). Anticipated start date is August 2019.

RESPONSIBILITIES: Allocation of effort is 50% Research and 50% Teaching: 1) Develop a nationally recognized and extramurally funded by major federal agencies and industrial sponsors research program that builds on the strengths and expertise of current faculty in textile and polymer science; engage in interdisciplinary collaborative research activity across the University of Georgia colleagues; mentor undergraduate and graduate students; participate in professional organizations, department, college and the university. Technical areas of interests include but are not limited to development of advanced functional fibrous materials and textiles for biomedical applications, biotechnology, sustainable materials and energy. 2) Teach two courses per fall and spring semester undergraduate and graduate courses in polymer, biomaterials, fiber, and textile science. We are particularly interested in developing new research program and related instructional courses that target biomedical, biotechnological and agricultural applications of polymers, fibers, and textiles, as well as interdisciplinary collaboration with various disciplines, institutes, industries and government agencies.

REQUIRED QUALIFICATIONS: All applicants must have an earned Ph.D. in textile science, fiber or polymer science, materials science, or a closely related area of science and engineering.

PREFERRED EXPERIENCE:

- Demonstrated successful teaching at undergraduate and graduate level as well as peer reviewed scholarly publication record.
- Successful post-doc and/or industry R&D experience
- Up to two years credit for prior experience in tenure track assistant professor rank possible at comparable research I university.

The Department of Textiles, Merchandising and Interiors is a unit of the College of Family and Consumer Sciences at the University of Georgia. The department has 15 faculty, 250 undergraduates majoring in Fashion Merchandising or Furnishings and Interiors, and 50 graduate students. The graduate programs lead to a Ph.D. in Polymer, Fiber, and Textile Sciences; Ph.D. emphasis in International Merchandising; and a Master of Science in Textiles, Merchandising and Interiors. More information about the Department and College can be found at [http://www.fcs.uga.edu](http://www.fcs.uga.edu).

The University of Georgia, located in Athens, is a Research 1, land-grant/sea-grant institution in the University System of Georgia. Founded in 1785, the University of Georgia is the largest and most comprehensive educational institution in the state. The campus and community of Athens offer many cultural and recreational opportunities. UGA has approximately 35,000 undergraduate students and has been ranked by U.S. News and World Report (2017) as one of the top 25 public institutions of higher education in the United States. The Athens campus is approximately 75 miles northeast of Atlanta, 60 miles from the Blue Ridge Mountains and 195 miles from the coast. Athens fosters a rich cultural environment interconnected with the university and is perennially identified as one of America’s most livable cities. Visit the University's website at [http://www.uga.edu](http://www.uga.edu) for additional information.

PROCEDURE: The application packet should include a cover letter of interest that addresses how credentials and experience meet the responsibilities and qualifications of the position, statements of research and teaching plans (no more than 4 pages each), curriculum vitae, and the names and contact information (emails and phone numbers) of three professional references. Please address the potential source of funding as well as how would your research complement the existing research activities within TMI. Also, if you have any video, high impact publications, etc., please upload with required documents. The applications and supporting documents should be uploaded via the UGA Jobs @ UGA website: [http://www.ugajobsearch.com/postings/31076](http://www.ugajobsearch.com/postings/31076). Questions about this position or the application process should be directed to Sergiy Minko, Chair of the Search Committee (sminko@uga.edu) or LaFarrah Smith (lafarrah.smith@uga.edu), the Department Office Manager. Review of applications will begin on November 13, 2018 and continue until the position is filled.

The college welcomes applications and nominations of minorities and others who share our passion about and reflect our desire to support a culture of diversity and inclusion. The University of Georgia is an Equal Opportunity/Affirmative Action employer. All qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation and gender identity, national origin, disability, or protected veteran status.