



Faculty Candidate Resource Guide

(This document serves to direct faculty and faculty candidates to online information about the University of South Carolina and living in the Columbia area. Please contact LaTasha Robinson (latashar@mailbox.sc.edu), Director of Human Resources and Faculty Affairs, if you have any questions.)

Things to Do, Restaurants, Hotels & Events – Information from the Columbia Metropolitan Convention & Visitors Bureau dba Experience Columbia, SC on [accommodations](#), [restaurants](#), [facilities](#), and [attractions](#) to provide informative materials and services that enhance and promote the desired image of the Columbia area.

Columbia SC Visitors Guide – The ultimate visitors guide for those new to Columbia, or those seeking to learn more about our wonderful city.

Virtual Tour of the University of South Carolina – Experience USC in a virtual way.

University of South Carolina Campus Tour via YouTube – Take a look around USC via the YouTube Campus Tour.

Faculty and Staff Groups - Office of Access and Opportunity - Faculty and staff have numerous opportunities to share expertise and influence the culture of diversity and inclusion on campus. These opportunities include the Black Faculty Caucus, Faculty Welfare Committee, Religious Affairs Committee, Jewish Faculty and Staff Council, Latino/a & Hispanic Faculty Caucus, Provost's Advisory Committee on Women's Issues, LGBTQ+ Faculty and Staff Caucus, and the Council of Academic Diversity Officers.

Faculty Dual Career Accommodation - The University of South Carolina is committed to recruiting and retaining outstanding faculty and academic personnel on all campuses and in all schools and divisions. Candidates for these positions are often part of dual career couples. A candidate's final decision to accept or reject an offer of employment is increasingly influenced by the University's ability to identify appropriate employment for the candidate's spouse or partner. Policy [ACAF 1.61 Faculty Dual Career Accommodation](#) is designed to assist department chairs, program directors, and other administrators attempting to explore a spouse/partner hire.

Living in Columbia SC | Moving to Columbia SC | Columbia SC Relocation – Information on neighborhoods in Columbia; Information on schools, homes, apartments, restaurants, etc.

Find Realtors & Real Estate Agents, Teams & Agencies – Assistance with finding a realtor in the Columbia, SC area.

Search Off-Campus Housing Options – Columbia offers a range of traditional, family-friendly housing options and apartments. You can widen your search on websites such as [ApartmentFinder.com](https://www.apartmentfinder.com), [ApartmentList.com](https://www.apartmentlist.com), [Zillow.com](https://www.zillow.com), [Trulia.com](https://www.trulia.com), and [Homes.com](https://www.homes.com).

Resources for Parents and Caregivers

- [**Bright Horizons**](#) operates a daycare center on the Columbia campus. Their website offers information about the Center and the safety protocols they are using to protect children and their families.
- [**Caring Connections**](#) connects UofSC employees who need sitters and tutors with UofSC students and alumni who can help.
- [**Child Care Resource and Referral**](#) provides information to families such as childcare locator, childcare voucher and tax credit information, child development information, home activities, household budget & planning calculator, and other resources.
- The [**Employee Assistance Program**](#) offers a host of resources for parents and caregivers.
- [**Palmetto Pre-K**](#)- One-stop shop for finding free or subsidized educational pre-k programs in South Carolina.
- [**SC Child Care**](#) provides information about local childcare providers and the SC Voucher Program.