Assistant or Associate Professor (Tenure-Track)

Department of Exercise Science

The Department of Exercise Science at the University of South Carolina (UofSC) Arnold School of Public Health (ASPH; www.sph.sc.edu) invites applications for a tenure-track position at the rank of Assistant or Associate Professor to begin August 2020. The successful candidate will have, or be able to develop, a collaborative multi-disciplinary research program with a focus on applied physiology and health, including a translational approach to problem solving. Research programs of particular interest will be focused on interactions between exercise and diet, including, but not limited to, those with a primary emphasis on microbiome, nutritional supplements, and/or obesity.

The successful candidate will have an earned doctoral degree in exercise science, kinesiology, nutrition, or related fields and will have demonstrated potential for high scholarly achievement and grantsmanship. Applicants for the rank of Assistant Professor must have at least 1 year of postdoctoral fellowship experience by the beginning date of employment and demonstrate strong potential for scholarship, obtaining competitive funding to support a research program and service as an effective instructor and student mentor. Applicants for the rank of Associate Professor must have a strong record of scholarship and funded research, with at least 4 years of experience as an effective instructor, student mentor, and researcher by the beginning date of employment.

The Department offers degrees at the undergraduate, masters, and doctoral level with programs in exercise science, athletic training, and physical therapy. The PhD program is currently the top ranked program in the US and among the top ranked in the world. The department currently serves approximately 1100 undergraduates and 60 graduate students. The successful applicants will be expected to contribute to the undergraduate and graduate teaching program, as well as supervise graduate students.

UofSC has been designated by the Carnegie Foundation as a doctoral institution with highest research activity and designated a community engaged institution, making it one of only 56 public universities to earn both the top-tier research classification and the community engagement classification from Carnegie. Furthermore, UofSC has five Health Science Units in addition to ASPH: 1) School of Medicine in Columbia 2) School of Medicine in Greenville, 3) College of Nursing, 4) College of Pharmacy, and 5) College of Social Work. The university is located in Columbia, South Carolina, the state capital and the center of a metropolitan area that is home to over 800,000 residents. The low cost of living in the Columbia metropolitan area, coupled with abundant recreational, cultural, and educational opportunities provides the opportunity for an excellent quality of life. Filled with historic homes and charming, diverse neighborhoods, Columbia is a city on the rise, noted by Thrillist website as one of eight cities with the cool appeal of Nashville or Portland. Jogging and walking paths line the downtown and riverfront greenway, with parks scattered throughout the rest of the city. The popularity of downtown living has sparked the growth of independent restaurants, coffee houses, wine bars, breweries, galleries, boutiques, and street fairs. Other Columbia highlights include: the Columbia Museum of Art with continuous high-profile traveling exhibits; the Nickelodeon art house cinema; the South Carolina State Museum with its planetarium, observatory, and 4-D movie theatre; and the nationally recognized Riverbanks Zoo and Garden. Columbia has a lively local music scene as well as
national entertainment tours that visit the Colonial Life Arena. Known for its college athletics teams as a member of the SEC, the city also hosts a minor league baseball team (the Columbia Fireflies). Centrally located, Columbia is two hours from the South Carolina coast and the Blue Ridge Mountains.

We strive to create an inclusive, diverse community that facilitates our commitment to social justice, equity and humility for the communities that we serve. We seek opportunities to recruit, retain and promote individuals from traditionally underrepresented populations to further this vision. Our commitment to diversity, inclusion, and community engagement at the ASPH and university at-large is reflected by many programs and partnerships across campus.

UofSC is an affirmative action, equal opportunity employer. The university does not discriminate in educational or employment opportunities or decisions for qualified persons on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, national origin, age, disability, sexual orientation, protected veteran status, genetics, pregnancy, childbirth or related medical conditions.

The University of South Carolina offers a robust benefits package described at: http://www.sc.edu/about/offices_and_divisions/human_resources/benefits/index.php

How to apply: Applications require: 1) letter of application; 2) curriculum vitae; 3) research statement; 4) teaching statement; and 5) contact information for three references. Submit your application at the following link: http://uscjobs.sc.edu/postings/70685. If you have questions please contact Dr. Mark Sarzynski, Search Committee Chair at sarz@mailbox.sc.edu or (803) 777-9510. Review of applications will begin on December 1, 2019 and will continue until the position is filled.

The University of South Carolina does not discriminate in educational or employment opportunities on the basis of race, color, religion, national origin, sex, including pregnancy & childbirth (or related medical conditions) sexual orientation, gender, age, disability, protected veteran status or genetics. The University of South Carolina and the Department of Exercise Science seek to promote equity, diversity, and inclusivity among our students, faculty, staff, and community. Thus, we strongly encourage applications from candidates whose research, teaching, and/or service align with this commitment. The University of South Carolina has been awarded the Higher Education Excellence in Diversity (HEED) award from Insight into Diversity for eight consecutive years.