

Prevention Science and Child Well-Being Three Assistant Professor Positions

The University of South Carolina invites applications for three assistant professor tenure-track positions in the area of prevention science applied to child well-being: two in the Psychology Department (College of Arts and Sciences) and one in the Exercise Science Department (Arnold School of Public Health). Candidates are sought who have a strong research interest and focus on integrated prevention of unhealthy lifestyle and social-emotional problems in children ages 2-10. Of relevance are preventive interventions at the child, family, classroom/school or community level to impact for example aggressive behavior, dietary intake, emotional adjustment, physical activity, screen time, sedentary behavior, self-regulation, or sleep. This is the organizing theme for the University's new Research Center for Child Well-Being (RCCWB), funded through the NIH/NIGMS Centers for Biomedical Research Excellence program.

These positions are for 9-month tenure-track appointments to begin in Fall 2021. Successful candidates will also have an affiliation with the RCCWB, which is comprised of a vibrant and growing network of faculty in psychology, public health, education, and social work. A central goal of the RCCWB is the acceleration of promising early-career faculty to independent scientist status, achieved with the support of senior center scientists and research cores on Clinical-Trial Logistics and Statistical/Data Management. The positions require a doctoral degree, by the beginning date of employment, in a field related to public health or psychology and a demonstrated record of research productivity and potential for excellence in teaching. Preferred qualifications include a publication record and commitment to prevention-related research pertaining to children. Successful candidates will be expected to aggressively pursue external funding to support their research related to the focus of the RCCWB and contribute to the academic mission of the department and college/school through undergraduate and graduate teaching, including prevention-related courses.

The University of South Carolina, as a Carnegie University of High Research Activity and of Community Engagement, achieved \$279 million in annualized external funding. The University is located in Columbia, a very livable city with more than 300 days of sunshine annually with easy access to lakes, rivers, mountains, and beaches. The greater Columbia area (about 1 million pop.) hosts historical and cultural attractions, festivals, performing arts and sporting events, parks and considerable outdoor recreation.

To apply, applications require: 1) cover letter; 2) curriculum vitae; 3) research statement; 4) teaching statement; and 5) contact information for three references.

Submit application to one but not both of these links:

For Psychology Department: <https://uscjobs.sc.edu/postings/84675>

For Exercise Science Department: <https://uscjobs.sc.edu/postings/84770>

Applications will be reviewed beginning September 21, 2020, and the positions will remain open until filled. The University of South Carolina is an affirmative action, equal opportunity employer. Minorities and women are encouraged to apply. The University of South Carolina does not discriminate in educational or employment opportunities on the basis of race, sex, gender, gender identity, transgender status, age, color, religion, national origin, disability, sexual orientation, genetics, protected veteran status, pregnancy, childbirth or related medical conditions.