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Autism Institute



TENURE TRACK FACULTY POSITION Modifiable Risk Factors Research Program Area Leader

The AJ Drexel Autism Institute (AJDAI) is now recruiting a leader for its **Modifiable Risk Factors (MRF) Research Program**. This is a tenure-track faculty position at the full or associate professor level. The MRF Program's emphasis is epidemiologic research on non-heritable risk factors for autism and related neurodevelopmental disorders. Current Program faculty include an epidemiologist and an exposure scientist, who directs the Exposure Science Laboratory (a highly active mass spectrometry facility). Active projects leverage many of the premier epidemiologic resources in this area including the ECHO program, Nurses Health Study cohorts, the EARLI cohort, and the SEED study.

Environmental, perinatal, reproductive, psychiatric, and genetic epidemiologists (focused on gene-environment interplay) are welcome to apply, as are environmental health scientists, and other researchers interested in neurodevelopmentally significant, potentially modifiable risk and protective factors for autism spectrum disorder (ASD). Applicants should have some training in epidemiology and an established track record of extramurally funded research and high-impact publications. An existing focus on ASD is desirable, but not required, as those with relevant related expertise looking to move into ASD research are also encouraged to apply. Highly productive researchers will be the strongest applicants.

Start-up funds are available and the Program receives ongoing indirect cost return, allowing opportunity for continuing growth. The Institute's operating model provides partial salary support for all faculty. Institute tenure line faculty are not required to teach, but do actively mentor/support research trainees. This position also has responsibility for mentoring Program junior faculty.

The AJDAI is a multidisciplinary, university-level research center emphasizing public health science applied to autism spectrum disorder. In addition to the MRF Program, the AJDAI also has Program Areas focused on Early Detection and Intervention (Program Leader: Dr. Diana Robins) and Life Course Outcomes (Program Leader: Dr. Paul Shattuck). The Institute also maintains administrative, clinical, and outreach cores that support its research programs, and is further supported by the resources of Drexel University, including the Dornsife School of Public Health.

Interested applicants should send cover letter, CV, and names of three references to:

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Indicate MRF FACULTY SEARCH in the subject line.

General questions about the search can also be sent to this email address.

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