Dornsife Tenure–Track Faculty Positions in Racism and Population Health Equity

Location: Philadelphia, PA

Open Date: Rolling

The Drexel University Dornsife School of Public Health (DSPH) invites applications for two Dornsife tenure-track faculty positions (Assistant Professor and Open Rank) that focus on racism and population health equity. We seek scholars who have either demonstrated or have the potential to generate innovative scholarship and practice related to racism and population health equity.

This faculty search aligns with the establishment of the new Ubuntu Center on Racism, Global Movements and Population Health Equity which will launch Fall 2021. The Ubuntu Center was made possible by a multi-million-dollar gift from Dana and David Dornsife. The mission of the Ubuntu Center is to unite diverse partners to generate and translate evidence, accelerate antiracism solutions, and transform the health of communities locally, nationally, and globally. The Center has four primary focus areas:

1. Advancing transdisciplinary, antiracism population health research, training, and scholarship;
2. Bridging relationships to build critical consciousness and power for health equity and racial justice;
3. Expanding collective action for population health equity aligned with principles and practices of community organizing and social movements; and
4. Strengthening capacity and sustainability to maximize our impact.

The Center envisions a just future, full of new possibilities through bold, collective action, and an equitable world in which all individuals and communities are healthy and thrive.

Successful candidates will have a primary appointment in a Department at the Dornsife School of Public Health commensurate with their research, practice, and teaching expertise. Successful candidates will also serve on the Strategic Council for the Ubuntu Center with additional leadership opportunities available within the Center as appropriate with their level of expertise and leadership experience.

QUALIFICATIONS

We encourage applications from candidates in all disciplines whose work, broadly, advances public health, social justice, and racial equity. Candidates should have earned a doctorate degree (PhD, ScD, DrPH, MD, JD, DSW or equivalent) in a public health discipline, including health policy and management, epidemiology, biostatistics, community health, environmental health global health or related fields, such as geography, sociology, anthropology statistics, urban planning, or demography, among others.
Candidates should demonstrate a commitment to conducting rigorous, high-level research, including the production of scholarly publications; have a track-record for, or show the potential to receive external funding; and have a strong, documented commitment to antiracism and social justice.

ABOUT

The DSPH is the top ranked public health program in Philadelphia and is ranked among the top 25 programs nationwide. Founded on the principle of health as a human right, the School focuses on many public health areas but has a special commitment to improving health in cities, eliminating health inequities, and translating evidence into action. DSPH also has a unique commitment to public health practice and experiential learning and is committed to antiracism and to creating a diverse and inclusive environment for faculty, professional staff and students.

An academically comprehensive and globally engaged private research university, Drexel is dedicated to advancing knowledge and society and to providing every student with a valuable, rigorous, experiential education. The University’s goal to become “the most civically engaged university in America” drives its work with the City of Philadelphia and diverse community partners. The city of Philadelphia is known for its arts and culture and is home to Fairmount Park, the largest landscaped urban park in the world. Philadelphia is a city of neighborhoods and ranked as the fifth most walkable major city in the United States. It is also rich with history and diverse cultures.

APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS

The Dornsife School of Public Health is especially interested in qualified candidates who can contribute to the diversity and excellence of our academic community and has a demonstrated commitment to antiracism in public health. Interested candidates should submit a cover letter describing relevant experience and goals and curriculum vitae to Diane Benckert db33@drexel.edu.

Confidential informal queries are welcomed by the search committee co-chairs, Sharrelle Barber, ScD, MPH, smb483@drexel.edu and Scarlett Bellamy, ScD, slb458@drexel.edu. Applications will be accepted until successful candidates have been identified.