

Department of Population Health Sciences Division of Epidemiology

Tenure-Track Assistant/Associate Professor Position in Epidemiology

The Department of Population Health Sciences in the Medical College of Georgia (MCG) at Augusta University (AU) invites applications for a tenure-track faculty position in Epidemiology at the Assistant or Associate Professor level to start in Fall 2023. Academic rank will be commensurate with experience. Strong candidates will possess the ability to design and conduct observational and experimental epidemiological studies and a strong interest in and potential for establishing their own research agenda. We also seek an individual who will develop active collaborations with students and faculty members within and outside of AU. A high interest and ability to engage in effective teaching across a variety of graduate level epidemiology, biostatistics, and public health courses will be important factors in the selection of candidates. The position will remain open until filled.

Qualifications:

The candidate for this position must have earned a Ph.D. or Dr.PH in Epidemiology, Public Health, or closely related field and possess excellent oral and written communication skills. Postdoctoral training is highly desired. To be hired at the Assistant Professor rank, the candidate must have earned the PhD or Dr.PH degree at the date of initial appointment. To be appointed at the Associate Professor rank, candidates must have at least 5 years experience as an Assistant Professor and a track record of teaching and research success commensurate with appointment as Associate Professor at AU.

Duties and Responsibilities:

The newly hired faculty will report to the Department Chair, teach epidemiology and other related courses offered in the department's various graduate programs and mentor graduate students in these programs; conduct epidemiological studies, involving primary data collection or utilizing available data with secondary data analysis; engage in collaborative research with other investigators in biomedical, public health, and translational research within and outside of AU; disseminate collaborative work by authoring and coauthoring manuscripts in relevant peer reviewed journals, and pursue extramural (grant) funding opportunities to support research initiatives. The faculty member will provide services to the department and the institution.

<u>The Department:</u> The Department of Population Health Sciences in MCG is the home of the Division of Biostatistics and Data Science, Division of Epidemiology, and the Division of Health Economics and Policy. It offers pre- and postdoctoral training programs in Biostatistics and Master's degree program in Data Science, in Clinical Translational Science and Epidemiology. The new faculty member will join a highly interdisciplinary faculty and will play an integral role in the ongoing expansion of research and education at AU. The academic departments, and centers and institutes such as the Center for Biotechnology and Genomic Medicine, Cyber Institute, Georgia Cancer Center, Institute of Public and Preventive Health and Sickle Cell Center provide rich opportunities for interdisciplinary research.

<u>The University:</u> Augusta University (AU) provides a world-class academic and social community that is inclusive and diverse and positions students for opportunity and success. Our vision is to be a top-tier university that is a destination of choice for education, health care, discovery, creativity, and innovation. Our <u>values</u> of collegiality, compassion, excellence, inclusivity, integrity, and leadership provide an experience

like no other. We are committed to hiring and retaining diverse, culturally competent faculty who reflect the diversity of our students. Augusta University includes ten colleges and schools with nearly 10,000 students, over 1,000 full-time faculty, and nearly 5,000 staff. It houses the nation's eighth-largest medical school, the state's sole dental college, and an integrated health system. The mission of the university is to offer high-quality undergraduate and graduate education, student development, and continuing education; to conduct research and creative activities; to provide services that enhance the intellectual, cultural, environmental, and economic development of the metropolitan region; address national and international issues in key areas; and establish Augusta University as a major presence, and contribute to the global and local community. More information is available at www.augusta.edu.

<u>The Community</u>: Nestled along the banks of the Savannah River, Augusta is the second largest city in Georgia. It is renowned internationally for its annual Masters Golf Tournament. Known as the "Garden City", Augusta features picturesque and friendly neighborhoods, low cost of living, and plenty of cultural and recreational opportunities. It is a growing and thriving city which was recently ranked 22nd of the 367 U.S. metropolitan areas that Kiplinger's Personal Finance considered for its list of Best Cities for the Next Decade. Augusta has many artistic organizations including the Augusta Opera Association, the Augusta Ballet, the Fort Gordon Dinner Theater, the Augusta Players, the Augusta Symphony, the Morris Museum of Art, and the Augusta Museum of History to name a few. Major metropolitan areas such as Atlanta, GA, Columbia, SC, and Charlotte, NC are within a short driving distance, as are many scenic destinations, including the Blue Ridge Mountains and the Atlantic coast, and historic locations, including Savannah, GA and Charleston, SC.

Interested applicants must apply online through the Augusta University Faculty Careers website at https://www.augusta.edu/hr/jobs/university/ with the Job Opening ID of 260335. Please upload a cover letter, CV, statements of current and planned research, a list of courses taught, a statement of teaching, a statement of diversity and inclusiveness, and names/contact information of at least four professional references, one of which should address teaching. To expedite the review process, the applicants should also e-mail the above information in one pdf file to:

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<u>Conditions of Employment</u>: All candidates are required to successfully pass a Background Check review. For specific positions, the final candidate may be subject to a (pre-employment) physical, drug screen, and/or credit check. The final candidate will be required to provide proof of completed academic degree(s) as well as post-secondary coursework in the form of original transcript(s). Those candidates trained by a foreign institution will also be required to provide an educational/credential evaluation. Augusta University is a tobacco free environment and the use of any tobacco products on any part of the campus, both inside and outside, is strictly prohibited.

<u>Equal Employment Opportunity</u>: Augusta University is proud to be an equal opportunity employer welcoming applicants from underrepresented groups, including individuals with disabilities and veterans.

This position comes with full benefits as provided by the AugustaUniversity Human Resourceswebsite:https://www.augusta.edu/hr/university/university_benefits/