Department of Rehabilitation Sciences

Assistant/Associate Professor (Tenure Track) in Occupational Therapy

Temple University’s Department of Rehabilitation Sciences seeks applicants for a tenure track faculty position in Occupational Therapy at the Assistant or Associate Professor level. We are looking for a talented and energetic faculty member with expertise and a research portfolio in the area of sensory processing as it relates to community participation and inclusion of individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities and other disability areas. The successful candidate will either have a nationally recognized research program, demonstrated success securing extramural funding or a demonstrated ability to develop one. The candidate must also have an ability to develop interdisciplinary collaborations. Individuals who enjoy working with graduate students are sought and the faculty member will have teaching responsibilities at the graduate level. This position provides opportunities for diverse research experiences in a highly supportive, interdisciplinary and collegial environment with potential for growth.

The Occupational Therapy program and Department of Rehabilitation Sciences are the College of Public Health at Temple University, an urban, research-intensive university located in Philadelphia, PA. Temple is the 6th-largest provider of professional education in the country and includes Schools of Law, Medicine, Pharmacy, Podiatry, and Dentistry in addition to research centers including the NCI-designated Fox Chase Cancer Center. The Department of Rehabilitation Sciences has 17 full-time faculty members and has established itself as a national leader in research on community inclusion and participation of individuals with disabilities and in a federally funded center in the area of inclusion of individuals with psychiatric disabilities (www.tucollaborative.org). Last year faculty in the department secured over $5 million in externally funded research support. The Occupational Therapy program was the first established in Pennsylvania and is currently ranked #31 in the nation.

The ideal candidate for this position will be a licensed or PA-license eligible occupational therapist who has a doctoral degree and a well-defined base of knowledge and program of research in the area of sensory processing and community participation (e.g., work, school, dating, parenting, etc.) with children and adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities. Research in this area with other populations would be a plus. In addition to solidifying a fundable program of research, the faculty member would work within our occupational therapy program and contribute to innovative curricular advances and teaching excellence. Rank, salary, and tenure status will be commensurate with experience and credentials.

The search committee will review applications in strict confidence beginning immediately, and will continue to do so until the position is filled.

Candidates should forward the following materials electronically to chpsw-search@temple.edu:

1) A personal statement that summarizes your research background and interests and explicitly describes your work in the area of sensory processing and participation and inclusion and the specific aspects of their work that they believe fits within the Department’s unique mission; 2) a CV; 3) teaching philosophy and interests; and 4) sample publications.

Temple University is an equal opportunity/affirmative action institution. People of color, women, veterans, and persons with disabilities are encouraged to apply.