TEMPLE UNIVERSITY

College of Public Health

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND REHABILITATION SCIENCES
Open Rank Non-Tenure Track Faculty in Physical Therapy
Director of Clinical Education

Temple University’s College of Public Health strives to solve health’s complexities for a better tomorrow. Our faculty prepare researchers, practitioners and educators to collaborate across disciplines to understand community needs, create evidence-based solutions, and deliver effective, compassionate care. We invite applications for non-tenure track faculty members in the Doctor of Physical Therapy program to begin Summer or Fall 2020.

Position and Qualifications. We seek an experienced and motivated individual with strong interpersonal communication skills to teach and mentor faculty on the instructional track. Interprofessional education, clinical research, and clinical practice opportunities are available. We seek faculty with clinical education experience preferably in an academic setting, but clinical settings will also be considered. The candidate should be highly organized, self-motivated, and detail-oriented. The Director of Clinical Education will have a team of faculty to assist in the clinical education component of the program. Clinical education is a well-resourced component of the curriculum consisting of an Assistant Director of Clinical Education, additional faculty to assist with delivery and remediation for students, an interprofessional departmental fieldwork committee, administrative assistants and the College’s Office of Clinical Practice and Engagement. Each of these entities are valuable team members that assist with the delivery of clinical education.

Primary Responsibilities of the Director of Clinical Education Include:

- Provide vision and leadership for this valuable component of the DPT education
- Lead the student’s clinical education including both full and part-time experiences
- Mentor students and participate in University and community service
- Create strong relationships with clinical partners, executing an equitable placement process
- Provide oversight during clinical rotations, problem solving with students and sites
- Model inclusive practices in education and professional practice

Preferred Qualifications Include:

- Terminal academic degree (e.g., PhD, EdD, DSc) and/or Doctor of Physical Therapy (DPT)
- Eligibility for Pennsylvania licensure
- Clinical education/instructional experience in DPT curriculum
- Prior experience in educational settings
- Specialist certification by the American Board of Physical Therapy Specialties
- A record of scholarship

The Department of Health and Rehabilitation Sciences. We are unlike any other department in the country. Located on a single urban campus in Philadelphia, the Department’s 38 full-time faculty provide instruction in 10 degree programs across all levels of education to approximately 1,300 students. The Department includes degrees in Health Professions (BS), Athletic Training (MSAT, DAT), Neuromotor Science (MS, PhD), Physical Therapy (DPT), Occupational Therapy (MOT, OTD) and Recreation Therapy (BS and MS). In addition, the Department offers 2 certificate programs (Health Outcomes and Measurement Science, Post-Professional Certificate in OT) and an Orthopedic PT Residency. Additionally, the Department works closely with other professions including public health, nursing, social work, and communication sciences.
Priority focus areas for the Department include interprofessional education/research, service learning and teaching excellence. Current research emphases are child health outcomes and patient-reported measures of health status for children, physical activity feedback technology for people with disabilities, community access for children with diverse sensory abilities, field-based interventions including recreation for adults with mental health disorders, measurement of environmental interactions for persons with autism spectrum disorders, and the development of devices using virtual environments to manipulate visual input for persons with traumatic brain injuries.

The DPT Program. The DPT program enrolls about 165 students taught by 16 full-time faculty with various clinical and research backgrounds who emphasize student learning/development through innovative and evidence-based teaching practices. As part of the College’s commitment to interprofessional education and transdisciplinary research, the Department of Kinesiology and Physical Therapy program collaborate on joint MS and PhD degrees in Neuromotor Science. Collaborative opportunities exist with research centers including the Neuromotor Science Research consortium that contains state-of-the-art motion analyses and virtual reality and immersive environments. PT faculty collaborate with faculty in many disciplines and with local institutions including Temple University Hospital System, Children’s Hospital of Philadelphia, Shriners Hospitals for Children, Magee Rehabilitation Center and Moss Rehab. Our academic space, located in the new Aramark Student Training and Recreation (STAR) complex, features applied laboratory spaces with the latest instructional technology, lecture spaces, smart classrooms and a demonstration-teaching apartment with wheelchair-height kitchen counters and appliances, as well as a fully accessible bath and bedroom. The DPT Program hosts an interprofessional pro bono clinic dedicated to meet the needs of uninsured and underinsured members of the North Philadelphia community. This practice venue gives many faculty members a venue to maintain their clinical practice and teach at the point of patient care.

The College. Devoted to an interprofessional environment for academic programming and research, the College of Public Health, a CEPH-accredited school of public health, is a constellation of academic units of public health, social work and health profession disciplines, enrolling 4,300 students. The College’s research focuses on social, behavioral, and environmental inquiries, medical/health interventions, and basic science and is sponsored by the National Institutes of Health, National Science Foundation, Department of Defense, and other major funders. The College has recently launched a new Center focused on Community Engaged Research and Practice. We are harnessing the collective energies of our clinical disciplines through an emerging, innovative framework for interprofessional education.

The University. Temple is an urban, research-intensive Carnegie R1 university located in historic and culturally rich Philadelphia, the nation’s 6th largest city. The city was ranked 3rd by the New York Times as a world tourist destination. The National Science Foundation ranks Temple among the top 100 universities in the country for research expenditures. Temple is the 6th largest provider of professional education in the nation and includes Schools of Medicine, Pharmacy, Podiatry, Law, and Dentistry and research centers including CPH’s Center for Obesity Research and Education.

Applications. Appointments may be made at the non-tenure instructional track ranks of Assistant, Associate or Full Professor, dependent on qualifications. Salary and benefits are competitive and will be commensurate with credentials and experience. To apply, send a letter detailing clinical education, teaching and clinical experience and preparation and curriculum vitae with names of 3 references to Dr. Scott Burns at dptprogram@temple.edu. Application review begins immediately and will continue until position is filled.

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