The Department of Epidemiology and Biostatistics in the College of Public Health at Temple University is seeking a post-doctoral fellow to specialize in cancer prevention and control. Opportunities exist in behavioral, environmental, and social determinants etiology of cancer and health-related outcomes. This position is affiliated with the Behavioral and Cancer Epidemiology Research Program, which can also provide collaborative research and professional development opportunities with Temple University’s Fox Chase Cancer Center, a National Cancer Institute-designated Comprehensive Cancer Center.

The successful candidates should be highly motivated and interested in publishing methodological and applied research manuscripts as well as developing collaborative grants and/or postdoc-initiated career development grant proposals with a goal toward becoming a successful independent researcher in cancer prevention and control. The candidate will play an active role in interdisciplinary studies exploring behavioral aspects of colorectal cancer screening and interventions to increase screening and/or PFAS-contaminated water and area-level exposures and cancer incidence and mortality; prior experience in cancer prevention and control preferred.

The Department: The Department of Epidemiology combines curiosity with rigorous, applied methods that lead to compelling questions and impactful results to improve public health. This is an excellent opportunity to join a department experiencing significant growth. Our 17 faculty members conduct research on a wide variety of public health issues, including, but not limited to: behavioral and chronic disease epidemiology, cancer prevention and control, and environmental and occupational exposures related to cancer. Areas of specific research growth in the Department include cancer prevention and control as well as cross-cutting areas such as social epidemiology/determinants and spatial epidemiology, which are critical to national health challenges.

The College: Devoted to an interprofessional environment, 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. Our research is funded by the National Institutes of Health, National Science Foundation, Department of Defense, and other major funders. Also, the College has 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 as well as research centers.

Qualifications include: 1) a doctoral degree in epidemiology or related field at time of hire; 2) experience working on cancer-related research projects; 3) excellent written communication skills as demonstrated by publications; 4) strong quantitative research methods and statistical analysis skills (SAS); and 5) ability to work independently as well as collaboratively with faculty and students.

The position is open immediately and will be open until filled. Expected fellowship duration is 2 years. A hybrid work schedule could be possible. The position offers a competitive salary and moving stipend. Preference will be given to candidates who can most effectively engage in research projects that are currently underway.

To apply, submit: 1) your CV, 2) a cover letter describing your interest in this specific position and your qualifications, 3) your short- and long-term research interests, and 4) contact information for 3 references to Dr. Resa M. Jones at resa.jones@temple.edu.

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