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Department Public Health

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Institution Purdue University

West Lafayette, Indiana

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Application Deadline Open until Filled

Position Start Date August 2022

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THE OPPORTUNITY: A Campus-wide Cluster Hiring Initiative

With a strong commitment to advancing diversity in research, thought and representation, the Department of Public Health in the College of Health and Human Sciences at Purdue University invites applications for a tenure-track position in the area of Health Disparities, as part of a cluster hiring initiative in Public Health, Health Policy, and Health Equity. A national leader in the graduation of Black and African American doctorates in the physical sciences, computer science, and veterinary medicine over the past 5 years, Purdue's track record of supporting diversity dates back well over a century and is rooted in our land-grant mission. Today, the University has embarked upon a comprehensive 5-year, \$75 million plan to further enrich and diversify its faculty, staff, student body, as described here: [<https://www.purdue.edu/provost/diversity/equity/cluster.html>].

This cluster, comprised of 14 new faculty members across four colleges - Health and Human Sciences, Liberal Arts, Libraries and Information Studies, and Pharmacy - is just the first wave of a larger, multi-year cluster hiring initiative totaling 40 FTE overall that aims to expand our research enterprise, add to the range of perspectives of our faculty, and promote a supportive community for all students. Alongside several other ongoing initiatives, this program evinces Purdue's strong commitment to further enhancing diversity, equity, and inclusion. For more information, a comprehensive plan may be found here: [<https://www.purdue.edu/provost/diversity/equity/index.html>] .

The appointments would start in August 2022 or a future date subject to negotiation.

THE POSITION

The Department of Public Health in the College of Health and Human Sciences (HHS) seeks applicants in the area of public health with a research focus in health disparities. We encourage scholars interested in race, ethnicity, geography, gender, sexual orientation, sexual identity, socioeconomic status, disabilities, or other relevant factors associated with disparities in healthcare access and health outcomes to apply. This will be a nine-month, academic year appointment with the possibility of internally or externally funded summer support.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

About the Department of Public Health

In an exciting new step in 2019, Purdue's Public Health program was elevated to become the Department of Public Health, which is now rapidly growing its faculty and building on its already well-

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established programs. The department is a CEPH-accredited program and a member of the Association of Schools and Programs of Public Health. The Department is committed to conducting outstanding research, educating students in a diverse and inclusive environment, and promoting health through engagement with the public. The Department is home to 40 tenured/tenure-track and clinical faculty, continuing lecturers, and limited term lecturers. There are over 250 graduate students and over 185 undergraduate students. Research areas include health promotion and disease prevention, women's health, community-based participatory research, health disparities, rural health, and health communication. Degrees currently offered include the BS in Public Health (residential), MPH (residential, hybrid, online), MS in Public Health, Master of Health Administration (online), and PhD in Public Health (residential).

Faculty in Public Health are involved in a wide range of college and cross-campus initiatives, including the Indiana Clinical and Translational Sciences Institute, the Center for Health Equity and Innovation, the Center on Aging and the Life Course, the Regenstrief Center for Healthcare Engineering, the Purdue Institute of Inflammation, Immunology and Infectious Disease, the NCI-funded Purdue Center for Cancer Research, the Purdue Acceptance and Inclusion Consortium, Purdue's Cultural Centers, the Purdue Autism Research Center, Discovery Park, and others within the 135 university-approved centers and institutes. A new hire in health disparities would support multiple HHS signature areas including "Developmental Health and Wellness," "Healthy Lifestyles and Vital Longevity" as well as "Sustainable and Thriving Communities and Organizations" (<https://www.purdue.edu/hhs/strategic-plan/strategic-roadmap.php>).

About the College of Health and Human Sciences

With almost 6000 students, the College of Health and Human Sciences is the third largest college at Purdue and includes nine academic units that hold national and international recognition for their fundamental scientific and programmatic contributions to improving the health of individuals and communities. The College strives to elevate Purdue's reputation in the health and human sciences by positioning the University to meet the health challenges facing the population, growing and creating opportunities for Indiana and the global economy, and enhancing student learning for success in a rapidly changing world. The College's multidisciplinary learning environment uniquely prepares students to contribute to improved human health and behavior and to serve as leaders in their disciplines. The College also provides a rich environment for world-changing research and discovery. Purdue's land-grant mission facilitates the translation of these discoveries from theory to application, benefiting not only those in Indiana but also society as a whole.

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Established in 1869, Purdue is Indiana's land-grant university, a comprehensive educational and research institution and member of the American Association of Universities (AAU). In addition to the College of Health and Human Sciences, Purdue University's strengths in Agriculture, Education, Engineering, Liberal Arts, Management, Pharmacy, Science, and Veterinary Medicine contribute to a robust research and educational environment. The West Lafayette campus, located one hour north of Indianapolis and two hours south of downtown Chicago, has ten academic colleges with an enrollment of 44,500 students from over 133 countries. The diverse greater Lafayette/West Lafayette community (www.homeofpurdue.com) has a population of approximately 200,000 and a low cost of living.

QUALIFICATIONS

All applicants must hold a doctorate in public health or a closely related field. We seek applicants having the potential to develop a strong, independent research program and high potential for teaching, mentoring students, and advancing diversity, equity, and inclusion.

APPLICATION PROCEDURE

Applications should be submitted to this site:

<https://career8.successfactors.com/sfcareer/jobreqcareer?jobId=16479&company=purdueuniv> and must include: (1) a cover letter highlighting your interest in the position and potential contribution to the department's mission and the cluster initiative, (2) a complete curriculum vitae, (3) a statement of research, (4) a statement of teaching, (5) at least three names of reference and contact information, and (6) the Diversity and Inclusion Statement. Purdue University's Department of Public Health is committed to advancing diversity in all areas of faculty effort including discovery, instruction, and engagement. Candidates should address at least one of these areas in a separate Diversity and Inclusion Statement, indicating their past experiences, current interests or activities, and/or future goals to promote a climate that values diversity and inclusion.

A background check will be required for employment in this position. Review of applications will begin November 15, 2021 and will continue until the position is filled. Inquiries about the position should be forwarded to ladischc@purdue.edu.

Purdue University is an EOE/AA employer. All individuals, including minorities, women, individuals with disabilities, and veterans are encouraged to apply.

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