

Assistant Professor in Community Health, Cluster Hire
Focus on Health Equity
Tufts University

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Job Title	Assistant Professor in Community Health, Cluster Hire Focus on Health Equity
Department	School of Arts & Sciences: Community Health http://ase.tufts.edu/commhealth/
Institution	Tufts University Medford, Massachusetts
Date Posted	Oct. 8, 2024
Application Deadline	Open until filled
Position Start Date	September 2025
Job Categories	Assistant Professor
Academic Field(s)	Health Services/Research & Policy Health Economics Community Health
Job Website	http://apply.interfolio.com/156765

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Job Description

The Department of Community Health in the School of Arts and Sciences (A&S) at Tufts University invites applications for a tenure-track faculty position that intersects health equity, population health, and emerging technologies, including artificial intelligence (AI) at the rank of Assistant start September 1, 2025. This position is part of a Tufts University Health Equality cluster hire that will foster collaborative research, scholarship, teaching, and community engagement efforts that are responsive to the unique needs of racially and ethnically unrepresented and marginalized groups and lead to improvement of health policies and outcomes with local and global reach.

Priority research areas include the implications of emerging technologies for health inequities, algorithmic bias in healthcare, and implications of emerging technologies for healthcare access, quality, and costs. Additional relevant research topics related to AI and technology's role in health equities will also be considered.

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The ideal candidate will contribute to a growing research portfolio focused on health equity across the lifespan. The candidate will have opportunities for collaborative research across A&S departments and Tufts centers as well as with the School of Engineering—including computer science, the School of Medicine, the Friedman School of Nutrition Science and Policy, the Fletcher School of Law and Diplomacy, and the Jonathan Tisch College for Civic Engagement.

Our department and university are committed to diversity, equity, and inclusion. We are interested in applicants who, through their leadership, community service, lived experience, teaching, and research will contribute to our mission of being an inclusive and anti-racist institution. All candidates should address, across their materials, how they will promote those priorities in their professional career.

The position includes research, teaching, and service with a 9-month appointment. In addition to maintaining an active research portfolio, the successful candidate will teach and advise Community Health undergraduates in the department. Other responsibilities include participation in department, school, university-wide, and national professional services.

This position is part of the Health Equity Cluster in the [Connecting the Community of Tufts Scholars program](#), jointly funded by the participating school (or schools) and the Office of the Provost/Senior Vice President. Faculty hired into this cluster will foster collaborative and interdisciplinary research, scholarship, teaching, and community engagement efforts centering on health outcomes for racially and/or ethnically marginalized groups, both locally and globally. CCTS cohorts will receive mentoring to advance innovative approaches and interventions to the ways they address health disparities and various other factors that impact health, such as structural drivers (e.g., economic, environmental), community context, healthcare, and other social determinants. Additionally, they will partake in robust professional development opportunities, which connect faculty to various resources and support structures at Tufts University.

Qualifications

Candidates are expected to have a doctoral degree in public health or a related field by the employment start date. All qualified candidates in areas of population health, AI and emerging health technology, health informatics, and social/behavioral sciences are encouraged to apply. A successful candidate will have a strong record of scholarly achievement and a track record of (or potential for) securing extramural funding. The candidate will build and maintain a vibrant and independent research agenda; commit to fostering an environment of inclusion and collegiality; contribute to our diversity, equity, inclusion, and justice initiatives; and collaborate with faculty within and beyond the department. In addition, a successful candidate will demonstrate a strong commitment to excellence in teaching and advising undergraduate students and working with a diverse student population. We strongly encourage applications from underrepresented groups.

Application Instructions

Applicants should submit a cover letter; a C.V.; a statement of research accomplishments and future plans; a statement of teaching philosophy and experience; teaching evaluations (if available); copies of two representative scholarly works;



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and names and contact information of three references included at the end of the C.V. We will ask for three confidential letters of recommendation at a later stage of the recruitment process. The three confidential letters of recommendation will be submitted directly to Interfolio. All application materials must be submitted via Interfolio at apply.interfolio.com/156765.

Questions about the position should be directed to Laura Pinkham, Department Administrator, by email Laura.Pinkham@tufts.edu.

Review of applications will begin November 15, 2024, and will continue until the position is filled. For further information about the Department of Community Health, please visit our website: <http://ase.tufts.edu/commhealth/>

EEO/AA Policy

Tufts University, founded in 1852, prioritizes quality teaching, highly competitive basic and applied research, and a commitment to active citizenship locally, regionally, and globally. Tufts University has also committed to becoming an anti-racist institution and prides itself on the continuous improvement of diversity, equity and inclusion work. Current and prospective employees of the university are expected to have and continuously develop skill in, and disposition for, positively engaging with a diverse population of faculty, staff, and students. Tufts University is an Equal Opportunity/Affirmative Action Employer. See the University's Non-Discrimination statement and policy here <https://oeo.tufts.edu/policies-procedures/non-discrimination/>. If you are an applicant with a disability who is unable to use our online tools to search and apply for jobs, please contact us by calling the Office of Equal Opportunity (OEO) at 617-627-3298 or at oeo@tufts.edu. Applicants can learn more about requesting reasonable accommodations at <https://oeo.tufts.edu/>.

Contact Information

Please reference AcademicKeys in your cover letter when applying for or inquiring about this job announcement.

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