Assistant Professor in Gerontological Social Work

The University of Iowa, School of Social Work seeks dynamic candidates for a tenure-track assistant professor position (9-month academic year appointment) beginning in August, 2018. Candidates should demonstrate potential for a strong research agenda in gerontological social work.

The University of Iowa is a member of the Association of American Universities and a Carnegie Foundation designated RU/VH University with an enrollment of 32,000 undergraduate and graduate students. UI is known for its balanced commitment to the arts, sciences, and humanities. It is home to one of the nation's largest academic medical centers and the pioneering Iowa Writers' Workshop. The campus is rich in gerontological and geriatric resources including the Center on Aging (administered through the College of Medicine), the federally-funded Iowa Geriatric Education Center, the Csomay Center for Gerontological Excellence (College of Nursing), the Aging Mind & Brain Initiative (multidisciplinary research), and the Aging & Longevity Studies Program (offering a certificate and minor in aging) which is administered by the School of Social Work. The University is located in the casual yet cosmopolitan environment of Iowa City, a progressive and diverse community, widely recognized as one of the country's most livable communities.

The School of Social Work offers programs at the BA, MSW, and PhD levels, with distance education programs around the state of Iowa (BA and MSW in Des Moines, and MSW in Sioux City and the Quad Cities). Operating from a strengths-based and systems perspectives, the School prepares our graduates to be culturally competent scholars and practitioners committed to social justice and social work values and ethics. The School is home to the National Resource Center on Family Centered Practice, and the University’s Certificate Program in Critical Cultural Competence. Current areas of faculty scholarship include aging, child welfare, family violence, income security, mental health and culturally competent practice. For more information, please visit: http://clas.uiowa.edu/socialwork/

Responsibilities:
The successful candidate will work with faculty and students to implement the mission of the University of Iowa and the School of Social Work through the following:

- Sustain an active program of scholarship as evidenced by peer reviewed publications and conference presentations
- Pursue external funding to support a focused program of research
- Teach and mentor students at the undergraduate and graduate levels
- Provide service in support of the School’s and University's mission
Required qualifications:

- PhD in social work or related field (with the dissertation successfully defended by August 31, 2018)
- If the PhD is not in social work, an MSW is required
- Evidence of a strong research agenda with demonstrated potential to conduct research and publish in a substantive area of gerontological social work
- Potential for securing research funding
- Potential for teaching across our social work educational program levels (BASW, MSW and PhD), and in the Aging & Longevity Studies Program.
- Demonstrated attention to human diversity and/or cultural competence in teaching, research, or service

Desired qualifications:

- Master's degree in Social Work
- Two years of post-MSW social work practice experience (micro, mezzo, macro, and/or integrated) which fulfills CSWE requirements for teaching social work practice courses.
- Scholarly publications in refereed journals
- Scholarship agenda inclusive of gerontological mental health

The School of Social Work and the College of Liberal Arts & Sciences are strongly committed to diversity; the strategic plans of the University and College reflect this commitment. All qualified applicants are encouraged to apply and will receive consideration for employment free from discrimination on the basis of race, creed, color, national origin, age, sex, pregnancy, sexual orientation, gender identity, genetic information, religion, associational preference, status as a qualified individual with a disability, or status as a protected veteran. The University of Iowa is an equal opportunity/affirmative action employer. Applicants are strongly encouraged to submit their materials immediately. Submit applications online at http://jobs.uiowa.edu/. Refer to requisition number #71412. Please do not mail paper applications.

To Apply: A curriculum vitae and letter of application describing your research agenda, teaching philosophy, and social work practice experience (if applicable) must be attached to the online application. In addition to the online application and attachments, please email one writing sample representing your scholarly ability. We require three letters of professional reference. Please ask your references to email their letter directly to the chair at the email address below. Letters of reference should address scholarly and teaching potential, and other accomplishments. For inquiries about the position please contact the Search Committee Chair:

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