

Tenure-track Assistant Professor Specializing in Native Hawaiian and Pacific Islander Health

University of California Los Angeles

Requisition Number: JPF08959

The UCLA Fielding School of Public Health (FSPH) is conducting a search to fill an Assistant Professor (tenure track) position whose research and teaching focuses on Pacific Islander and/or Native Hawaiian health. The new faculty member will hold an appointment in the Department of Community Health Sciences (CHS). CHS, one of five departments within FSPH, is concerned with the social and behavioral research applied to health, health promotion, and public health practice. The focus is on programs, policies, and actions that can promote health in the context of social, cultural, political, economic, and environmental factors. The CHS faculty is multidisciplinary and includes those whose primary training is in public health, public policy, urban planning, the social sciences, behavioral sciences, medicine, nutrition, and demography.

We welcome scholars who study health issues among Pacific Islanders and/or Native Hawaiians in Melanesia, Micronesia, and/or Polynesia including their diasporic communities in Aotearoa New Zealand, Australia and/or the United States. Applicants are expected to have a robust research agenda that addresses critical health issues in Pacific Islander and Native Hawaiian communities. Topics of interest may include but are not limited to obesity, cancer, heart disease, stroke, diabetes, mental health, substance abuse and unintentional injuries. Those conducting research that address critical social and other issues affecting the health of Pacific Islander and Native Hawaiian communities such as climate change, aging, food insecurity, housing, poverty and educational opportunities are also encouraged to apply.

We encourage applications from early career researchers who have demonstrated a current or potential trajectory of health research on Pacific Islanders and/or Native Hawaiians. The strongest applicants are those whose scholarship focuses specifically on Pacific Islanders and/or Native Hawaiians.

This position is supported by the Asian American Studies Center and UCLA's Native American and Pacific Islander Bruins Rising Initiative. All applicants are expected to participate in the Asian American Studies Center and join its Faculty Advisory Committee. The Asian American Studies Center is one of four ethnic studies centers in the UCLA Institute of American Cultures established in 1969 with over 50 Faculty Advisory Committee members. It publishes *Amerasia Journal*, *AAPI Nexus*, and numerous books, reports and policy briefs. It has launched the AAPI Policy Initiative to inform advocacy and policy making and the Asian American and Pacific Islander Multimedia Textbook to bring Asian American and Pacific Islander studies to high school, college, and lifelong learners. The Asian American Studies Center and the Institute of American Cultures will offer the person hired an additional community of scholars. For additional information about the Asian American Studies Center and the Institute of American Cultures, please visit <https://www.aasc.ucla.edu>; <http://www.iac.ucla.edu>.

The search committee and the Department of Health Sciences at UCLA acknowledges our presence on the traditional, ancestral and unceded territory of the Gabrielino/Tongva peoples.

QUALIFICATIONS

Applicants must hold a PhD or other equivalent terminal degree (including, but not limited to DrPH, EdD, DSc, MD, JD) by the time of appointment, January 1, 2025. Candidates must (1) have a record of independent research and publications in areas relevant to the health of Pacific Islander and Native Hawaiian populations, (2) demonstrate potential for success or documented success in obtaining extramural funding, (3) have engaged in interdisciplinary research collaborations involving partnerships with communities; and (4) demonstrate a commitment to teaching and mentoring.

We welcome candidates whose experiences in research, teaching, and community service have prepared them to contribute to our commitment to diversity and excellence.

Interested persons are strongly encouraged to apply online at <https://apptrkr.com/4748683> by December 1, 2023. The position will be open until filled.

For questions related to the position, please contact the chair of the Search Committee, Associate Professor May Sudhinaraset at <mailto:msudhinaraset@ucla.edu>.

The University of California is committed to excellence and equity in every facet of its mission. Contributions in all areas of faculty achievement that promote equal opportunity and diversity will be given due recognition in the academic personnel process, and they will be evaluated and credited in the same way as other faculty achievements.

These contributions to diversity and equal opportunity can take a variety of forms including efforts to advance equitable access to education, public service that addresses the needs of California's diverse population, or research in a scholar's area of expertise that highlights inequalities. Mentoring and advising of students and faculty members, particularly from underrepresented and underserved populations, will be given due recognition in the teaching or service categories of the academic personnel process.

APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS

Document requirements

- Curriculum Vitae - Your most recently updated C.V.
- Cover Letter
- Statement of Research - A research statement highlighting scholarly contributions of recent research and plans for the near future.
- Statement of Teaching - Teaching statement outlining your teaching philosophy and the general content of one class you would like to teach
- Statement on Contributions to Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion - An EDI Statement describes a faculty candidate's past, present, and future (planned) contributions to equity, diversity, and inclusion. To learn more about how UCLA thinks about contributions to equity, diversity, and inclusion, please review our EDI Statement FAQ document.
- Reference check authorization release form - Complete and upload the reference check authorization release form
- Teaching Evaluation (if applicable) (Optional)
Apply link: <https://apptrkr.com/4748683>

Help contact: <mailto:Uha@ucla.edu>

JOB LOCATION

Los Angeles, CA

POSITION OVERVIEW

Position title: Assistant Professor

SALARY RANGE

Faculty appointment level and salary will be commensurate with the candidate's experience and qualifications. According to UC and FSPH standards, the FSPH fully covered 9-month salary will be composed of a component, ranging between \$74,600 to \$97,200 plus an off-scale portion, dependent upon the candidate's experience and final approval by the Chancellor. Historically, UCLA CHS faculty total salaries have been competitive with salaries in similar departments.

The University of California is committed to creating and maintaining a community dedicated to the advancement, application, and transmission of knowledge and creative endeavors through academic excellence, where all individuals who participate in University programs and activities can work and learn together in a safe and secure environment, free of violence, harassment, bullying and other demeaning behavior, discrimination, exploitation, or intimidation. With this commitment as well as a commitment to addressing all forms of academic misconduct, UCLA conducts targeted employment reference checks for finalists to whom departments or other hiring units would like to extend formal offers of appointment into Academic Senate faculty positions. The targeted employment reference checks involve contacting the finalists' current and prior places of employment to ask whether there have been substantiated findings of misconduct that would violate the University's Faculty Code of Conduct. To implement this process, UCLA requires all applicants for Academic Senate faculty positions to complete, sign, and upload the form entitled \"Authorization to Release Information\" into RECRUIT as part of their application. If the applicant does not include the signed authorization to release information with the application materials, the application will be considered incomplete. As with any incomplete application, the application will not receive further consideration. Although all applicants for faculty recruitments must complete the entire application, only finalists (i.e., those to whom the department or other hiring unit would like to extend a formal offer) considered for Academic Senate faculty positions will be subject to targeted employment reference checks.

To apply, please visit: <https://apptrkr.com/4748683>

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