Open Rank Faculty Position in Communication and Health
Northwestern University
Academic Search Number: 31962

The Department of Communication Studies at Northwestern University’s School of Communication seeks an open rank, tenure-track faculty with expertise in communication and health for a position to begin as early as September 2018. The faculty will be part of the School’s newly established Center for Communication and Health.

The ideal candidate will demonstrate:

- A record of achievement in teaching, research, and service;
- A thorough and broad education in communication theory and research and ideally a doctorate in the field of communication;
- The ability to lead and work effectively in interdisciplinary teams across the social sciences, engineering, medicine, and allied health disciplines;
- A career commitment to the study and improvement of communication process and practices related to health information, health decision-making/behavior, health care quality and safety, health informatics, human-computer interaction, or systems engineering/design;
- A record of high quality, high impact externally-funded collaborative and interdisciplinary research in the area of communication and health;
- Success in developing and teaching curricula for students planning careers in health care;
- Success in leading and managing research collaborations.

The successful candidate will be expected to:

- organize and lead a successful interdisciplinary research program involving faculty from communication, engineering, and medicine;
- teach undergraduate and graduate courses, including the professional MS program in Health Communication;
- participate in the governance, growth and development of the Center for Communication and Health

About Northwestern, the School of Communication, and the Department of Communication Studies

Northwestern University is one of the world’s leading research centers, a top-ranked choice for graduate and undergraduate study across the arts and sciences, and a leader in professional education in business, law, and medicine. Its School of Communication—with roughly 1200 undergraduates, 130 doctoral students, and 300 professional graduate students—is the third
largest undergraduate school in the university. It has 100 tenure-track faculty and 60 non-tenure track faculty on its instructional staff. Communication Studies is the largest of the five departments in the School. Its program focuses on organizational communication, media and technology studies, public culture, and health communication. The mission of the Center for Communication and Health is to improve the quality and safety of healthcare as patients experience it, to improve the health of populations, and to reduce the cost of care by applying the interdisciplinary tools of the communication arts and sciences to the most pressing challenges in healthcare.

Applications and timeline

Candidates should submit a letter of application, CV, sample publications, evidence of teaching effectiveness, and names of three confidential references (six if a tenured appointment is contemplated) to the Faculty Recruiting System located at the following link: https://facultyrecruiting.northwestern.edu/apply/Mjl=

Review of applications will begin October 23, 2017. For full consideration, applications should be received no later than October 16, 2017.

Northwestern University is an Equal Opportunity, Affirmative Action Employer of all protected classes including veterans and individuals with disabilities. Women and minorities are encouraged to apply. Hiring is contingent upon eligibility to work in the United States.