Position Announcement: Tenured Associate or Full Professor with a Physiological Emphasis in Human Development and Family Studies

POSITION: The Department of Human Development and Family Studies (HDFS) seeks applicants for a tenured Associate or Full Professor. We seek a colleague with expertise in biological, physiological, and/or neural processes linked with human development whose research interests are integrative and sensitive to context. This person will have opportunities to collaborate with colleagues in our core areas: human development, family studies, sociocultural contexts, and young children’s early care and education in a department strongly committed to diversity. Successful candidates will have evidence of an outstanding record of research achievement and external funding, experience working with diverse populations and groups of students, and excellent teaching skills. The position is a 9-month appointment with a starting date of August 1, 2020.

RESPONSIBILITIES: The successful candidate will teach courses that integrate biological/physiological processes, obtain external funds to maintain an active research program, advise and mentor students from diverse backgrounds (e.g., racial, socioeconomic, first generation, cultural), and support the department through institutional and professional service. The position involves working in a collaborative, multi-disciplinary department intentionally structured to prepare students and scholars to work effectively with diverse families and populations.

QUALIFICATIONS: Doctoral degree in the field of Human Development and Family Studies, Neuroscience (e.g., developmental, cultural), Psychology, Sociology or closely related field. Evidence of competence in college instruction. Strong record of scholarly publications. Evidence of success in securing external funding for research.

PREFERABLE: Demonstrated commitment to teaching and mentoring students of color representing diverse backgrounds (e.g., racial, socioeconomic, first generation, cultural). Strong methodological expertise. Teaching and/or research experience focused on contextual influences on the linkages between biological, physiological, and/or neural processes with human development. The potential to collaborate and connect with colleagues around departmental goals and research activities.

DEPARTMENT: The HDFS Department within the School of Health and Human Sciences is ranked as one of the top HDFS graduate programs in the country. Current physiological research in the department utilizes biomarkers and examines physiological regulatory processes. The department is committed to interdisciplinary study, diversity, and internationalization and has 26 full-time faculty, over 700 undergraduate majors, 150 undergraduate minors, and approximately 100 graduate students in MEd, MS, and PhD programs. Graduate students examine the role of individual, biological, relational, social, and cultural factors in diverse family relationships and implications for family members. The emphasis in the department on racial, ethnic, and cultural variation acknowledges the merit of both between-group and within-group differences.
group approaches for understanding human development and family life. Students of color make up over 50% of the student population in the department. The HDFS Department is committed to a faculty that is representative of the diverse community and student population served.

UNIVERSITY: UNC Greensboro is a doctoral research-intensive university and a Minority Serving Institution (MSI) with approximately 20,000 students. UNC Greensboro is committed to its status as a diverse academic community as evidenced through teaching, research, and service. It has been ranked among the “Great Colleges to Work For” by the Chronicle of Higher Education and is classified by the Carnegie Foundation as a High-Research Activity University with an added Community Engagement classification awarded for “deep engagement” at local, regional, national, and global levels. UNC Greensboro, the largest of six colleges/universities in the Piedmont Triad region of North Carolina, recently celebrated its 125th anniversary. UNC Greensboro’s University-wide enrollment has grown over the last three years, which has been critical in generating new resources. The rich diversity of the Triad provides a wealth of opportunities to engage in research with families of color including immigrant and refugee populations. Supports for research and grant activity with diverse families include the university’s Center for New North Carolinians, the Child and Family Research Network, the Institute for Community and Economic Engagement, and the Center for Youth, Family and Community Partnerships. Additional research supports include UNC Greensboro’s Office of Research and Engagement, the Office of Sponsored Programs, facilities for the integrated collection of observational and physiological data including an fMRI facility, and centrally-managed statistical software available to all campus researchers for the analysis of quantitative and qualitative data.

APPOINTMENT: This is a 9-month full-time tenured position beginning August 1, 2020. Salary for this position is negotiable and commensurate with qualifications and experience. Please see https://hrs.uncg.edu/ for information on benefits. UNC Greensboro is an EOE/AA/M/F/D/V employer and is strongly committed to achieving excellence through faculty diversity. The university actively encourages applications and/or nominations of persons of color, persons with Latinx background, and persons with disabilities.

APPLY BY: Review of applications will begin November 25, 2019 and will remain open until filled. Candidates are asked to submit a cover letter of interest describing qualifications related to the position requirements and one or more of the preferable qualifications for the position. In addition, applicants should submit the following application materials: a curriculum vitae; a research statement; a teaching statement; a diversity, equity, and inclusion statement; and two examples of recent scholarly manuscripts. Applicants also should submit the names and contact information of three references who will be contacted later with the applicant’s permission. All materials should be submitted via the website: JOBSEARCH LINK/POSITION. For questions about the position, please contact Cheryl Buehler, Chair of Search Committee, cbuehler@uncg.edu. For assistance with uploading application materials, contact Melissa Barnes (336) 334-5896 or mkbarnes@uncg.edu