

Position Title: Non-tenure Track Assistant or Associate Professor, Section on Health Choice, Policy and Evaluation in the Department of Population Health at NYU School of Medicine

Position Summary:

This position involves contributing to research initiatives related to health policy, obesity, health economics and related disciplines at the New York University School of Medicine, Department of Population Health. The position will be within the Department's **Section on Health Choice, Policy and Evaluation (HCPE)**, a large and active research group which aims to determine the influence of public policy on health and health choices, as well as how to make these policies more effective. Using multidisciplinary approaches, we focus on low-income, racial and ethnic minority populations and pressing public health problems, with a significant focus on obesity.

We are seeking a faculty member to lead a variety of research efforts within HCPE and collaborate with the section's director, faculty, and staff to develop a long-term vision that facilitates the creation of new research partnership opportunities and enhances the visibility and impact of HCPE research. The faculty member will be part of a dynamic team of researchers studying how individuals respond to current and potential health policies, including obesity initiatives, zoning incentives, healthy corner store initiatives, modifications to the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program, food marketing and racially-targeted food advertising, and a variety of neighborhood factors that affect health. The team makes active use of new and emerging technologies including spatially explicit approaches such as computer-based geographic information systems (GIS) and other geospatial technologies, and machine learning techniques.

The faculty member's role will involve leading a variety of initiatives related to population health research and developing a vision to enhance the impact, relevance, and visibility of research conducted within HCPE. Specifically, the faculty member will work with HCPE faculty and staff to develop and implement a strategic plan that enhances HCPE's contributions to local and national issues related to health choice and policy evaluation. The faculty member will contribute to research by overseeing the development of research publications, grant applications, academic presentations, and other research tasks in conjunction with other HCPE faculty. The faculty member will direct the development and implementation of a strategic vision by: (1) cultivating relationships with relevant stakeholders in public and population health (e.g. scientific community, policymakers, grassroots organizations, and the general public); and (2) representing HCPE at local and national research meetings and conferences.

Principal Responsibilities

Research – The faculty member will contribute to the design and implementation of various research projects within HCPE. Studies involve the topics described above, and the faculty member's research roles would involve developing research objectives; outlining appropriate research methods in collaboration with HCPE faculty and staff; supervising research staff and interns who are involved in data collection; contributing to basic data analysis; drafting manuscripts associated with the studies.

Grants, Publications, and Conferences – Collaborates with HCPE faculty in drafting grant applications to submit to potential funders (e.g. NIH, RWJF, NY State Health Foundation, etc.). Works with NYULMC's Office of Development to identify and pursue opportunities for funding support. Collects and organizes required paperwork for grant submission if applicable. Co-authors research

publications on a variety of topics related to obesity and food choice. Creates presentations for conferences, academic talks, and research meetings.

Relationship Building and Communications – Responsible for cultivating relationships with relevant stakeholders in the public health community. The faculty member will attend local events, meetings, policy hearings, and seminars relevant to the research in HCPE and build and maintain relationships with other researchers, policymakers, and public health professionals. The faculty member will also develop policy briefs and other research-relevant materials that communicate research findings to the scientific community, policymakers, grassroots organizations, and the general public. Finally, the faculty member will maintain relationships with NYULMC's Office of Government Relations and Office of Communications to coordinate any relevant HCPE activities with NYULMC.

Continuous Learning - Position requires ongoing continuing education in all areas of research development (training programs are provided through the SOM). Promotes own professional growth and development in research role (e.g. participates in Research Navigator training, as needed) and maintains current expertise in area of practice. Serves as a resource to peers and works collaboratively with other disciplines within the area of expertise.

Participates in special projects and performs other duties as required.

Minimum Qualifications:

Doctoral degree in public health, economics, business administration, psychology, public policy, or related field.

Proficiency in using various Microsoft Office applications such as Word, Excel, Access, Power Point and Outlook. Familiar with Internet applications.

Outstanding oral, written, communication, interpersonal skills.

Ability to interface effectively with all levels of management and must work and communicate effectively with both internal and external partners.

Ability to work within a team environment as well as independently.

Commitment to continuous learning as required by department administration.

Ability to work and make decisions independently.

Time management skills and ability to multitask.

Ability to identify, analyze and solve problems: Ability to work well under pressure.

Preferred Qualifications:

Experience working in an Academic Medical Center or School of Public Health is preferred.

How to Apply:

Send CV, cover letter, and list of three references to Christopher.Bates@nyumc.org. Application review begins immediately and continues until position is filled. Position start date is flexible; summer or fall 2016 is possible.