

Widener Social Work



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Position Announcement

Assistant Professor of Social Work –Tenure Track

Widener University's Center for Social Work Education invites applications for a tenure track position at the rank of Assistant Professor. This faculty position carries a 3/3 teaching load as well as an active research and publication agenda along with university and community service responsibilities. Teaching assignments may be a combination of BSW, MSW and/or PhD courses. We are looking for a faculty member who can teach in at least two curriculum areas as well as an elective in his/her area of specialization.

Required Qualifications: To be considered for this position the candidate must have a PhD in social work or an MSW and doctorate in a closely related discipline (doctoral candidates who expect to complete their dissertation on or before January 2016 will be considered but must include in their application materials a letter from their chair with the anticipated date of defense).

Preferred Qualifications: In addition to the above requirement, preference will be given to candidates who have (1) a beginning record of scholarship or strong evidence of potential for scholarly productivity, (2) prior social work teaching experience, (3) knowledge of and experience with distance education, (4) an interest in collaborative community intervention and research projects, and (5) background and expertise in trauma.

Salary: Salary is competitive with a generous benefit package

Appointment: The position is a ten-month faculty appointment as a tenure-track Assistant Professor of Social Work.

Start Date: August 2015

About Us: Widener University, an independent, metropolitan, doctoral-intensive university, connects curricula to social issues through civic engagement. Dynamic teaching, active scholarship, personal attention and experiential learning are key components of the Widener Experience. Located in Chester, Pennsylvania, Widener's main campus is nestled between Philadelphia, PA and Wilmington, DE, with satellite campuses in Exton and Harrisburg, PA and Wilmington, DE. For more information about the University, please visit our website at www.widener.edu.

The Center for Social Work Education is a dynamic and vibrant community with a variety of educational programs and initiatives. The Center has a diverse student body and faculty who share a strong commitment to social justice, community service and the University's civic engagement mission. We currently have 21 full-time social work faculty members and anticipate adding several more in the next two years. We are looking for faculty who are passionate about social work, passionate about teaching and passionate about changing the world.

We have a growing BSW program with approximately 60 social work majors. The BSW program prepares students for generalist social work practice and/or graduate school. The MSW program has a single concentration in clinical social work with a trauma-informed curriculum. We currently have approximately 350 full and part-time students in our campus-based MSW program and about 150 students in our newly launched on-line MSW program option. We anticipate that on-line MSW program will have an enrollment of 400 plus students by 2017. The MSW program also offers a dual degree option with human sexuality. The BSW and MSW programs are fully accredited by the Council on Social Work Education. The PhD program prepares candidates for academic and research careers. We currently have approximately 35 PhD students and admit a cohort of five students a year.

Widener Social Work also runs a community based clinic called Social Work Counseling Services (SWCS) that provides pro bono social work and capacity building services to community based organizations and community residents. SWCS is staffed primarily by social work interns and serves as a state-of-the-art internship site for BSW and MSW students. Our Clinical Services for Vulnerable Adults program at SWCS provides treatment services to vulnerable adult community residents, their families and caregivers. SWCS interns and faculty also provide capacity building and social work services in collaboration with grassroots community organizations that serve community residents but do not have MSW social workers on staff. For more information about the Widener Social Work, please visit our website at www.widener.edu/socisalwork.

Applications: **Applications:** To apply go to

https://widener.igreentree.com/CSS_External/CSSPage_Welcome.asp and enter job number **F14-0019** in the search by job number box. Applicants must submit the following: (1) a letter of application describing your teaching experience, prior social work experience and why the position is of interest and/or a good fit for your career aspirations, (2) a curriculum vitae, and (3) names, addresses, telephone numbers and email addresses of three professional references.