

# School of Social Work



Nominations and applications are invited for several open rank positions:

## **9-MONTH TENURE-TRACK FACULTY**

The School of Social Work at Virginia Commonwealth University (VCU) is searching for colleagues who will contribute to our academic community through meaningful and productive research, teaching, advising, and curriculum development across our BSW, MSW, and PhD programs, as well as professional leadership and service to the community and profession. For at least two of these positions, we are seeking expertise and interest in teaching within the Social Work Administration, Policy, and Program Planning (SWAPPP) concentration. We particularly encourage applications from candidates who contribute to our growing interdisciplinary research foci in health, cancer and other chronic health conditions, mental health, aging, substance abuse, and disability issues. Earned doctorate is required by start of position; MSW degree is strongly preferred; practice experience is desirable. Rank for the positions is open; salary is competitive and negotiable.

Successful candidates for these positions will enhance our School's long-time focus on social and economic justice, contribute to a diverse portfolio of research and scholarship, have potential for collaborative scholarship and community engagement, and possess a track record of scholarly publication and external funding appropriate to the applicant's experience. Mentoring and support are provided to new faculty for developing and implementing their research agenda. Applicants must have demonstrated experience working in and fostering a diverse faculty, staff, and student environment or commitment to do so as a faculty member of VCU. For positions at the Assistant Professor rank, an established research agenda, potential for external funding and potential for scholarship to complement and expand existing expertise within the School are required. For positions at the Associate/Professor rank, a well-developed scholarly/research portfolio with evidence of multi-disciplinary applications and external funding appropriate to complement and expand existing expertise within the School are required. Candidates for all ranks will also be expected to engage in teaching and curriculum development.

VCU is designated by the Carnegie Foundation as a very high research activity and community engaged institution. The university has several centers and institutes that facilitate and promote interdisciplinary collaboration such as Virginia Leadership Education in Neurodevelopmental Disabilities, Massey Cancer Center, and Center for Clinical and Translational Research. We are especially committed to diversity and multiculturalism, and are currently energized around our university-wide Quest for Distinction campaign ([future.vcu.edu](http://future.vcu.edu)). VCU is a premiere urban research university which is situated in the vibrant and historic Fan District in Richmond, the capital of Virginia. The VCU School of Social Work is a century old, highly ranked program offering BSW, MSW and PhD degree programs as well as distance education. Please visit our website [socialwork.vcu.edu](http://socialwork.vcu.edu) for more information regarding our scholarship, teaching innovation, and community engagement.

Applicants are encouraged to apply early, preferably before October 24, 2012. Application review will begin immediately and will continue until positions are filled. To apply, please submit electronically to [sswfacssearch@vcu.edu](mailto:sswfacssearch@vcu.edu) a curriculum vitae; letter of application detailing your interests and expertise in scholarship and teaching; two examples of scholarly writing; and three letters of reference. Inquiries may be directed to Dr. Peter V. Nguyen, Faculty Search Committee Co-Chair, Virginia Commonwealth University School of Social Work at [pvnguyen@vcu.edu](mailto:pvnguyen@vcu.edu) or 804-828-0567.

***Virginia Commonwealth University is an equal opportunity/affirmative action employer. Women, minorities and persons with disabilities are encouraged to apply.***