University of Maryland, School of Public Health
Department of Behavioral and Community Health
Position Vacancy: Assistant or Associate Professor in Cancer-Relevant Research
(Tenure Track)
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The Department of Behavioral and Community Health, School of Public Health, University of Maryland, College Park seeks a full-time tenure track Assistant or Associate Professor to join a dynamic, interdisciplinary department with behavioral science, health promotion intervention, and community-engaged research programs. This candidate will help the Department further enhance its national leadership at the forefront of research and education on community and population health. We particularly welcome applicants with experience and expertise in one or more of the following broad cancer-relevant areas: behavioral science research (prevention, screening, care); the impact of discrimination and racism on cancer health inequities (institutional, community, and societal levels); tobacco control (use and prevention) and tobacco regulatory science (policy); community-engaged research; implementation science; or translation of research evidence to promote health equity and social justice. We will also consider applications in other areas of cancer-relevant research. Candidates should be able to: (1) develop and sustain an externally funded research program, (2) teach and mentor undergraduate and graduate students, and (3) play a central role in developing the Department's research, teaching, practice, and service initiatives with community partners. The ideal candidate will have a record that is consistent with the Department's commitment to anti-racism, equity, and inclusion. At the University of Maryland, College Park, tenure and promotion are paired at the Associate Professor level unlike a medical school.

The Department has both tenure- and professional-track faculty engaged in research across a multitude of aspects of population health, including but not limited to: health behavior; health inequities among underrepresented populations; intervention development and evaluation; community-engaged research; and implementation science. To this end, the department features a robust infrastructure for conducting observational and interventional studies. This includes a strong partnership with the University of Maryland Greenebaum Comprehensive Cancer Center (UMGCCC) on the Baltimore campus, numerous pilot research funding opportunities, and administrative support for grant submissions and post-award management. Additional resources include diverse networks of community partners and institutional initiatives supporting cross-campus and transdisciplinary collaboration. The School, Department, and Cancer Center are characterized by a culture of collegiality and team science, facilitating collaborations with a multitude of stakeholders.

The UMGCCC ranked #16 in the nation for cancer care in the 2019-20 US News and World Report's Best Hospitals rankings. UMGCCC includes five research programs: Molecular and Structural Biology, Experimental Therapeutics, Hormone-Related Cancers, Tumor Immunology/Immunotherapy, and Population Science. The Population Science research

program includes investigators across the College Park and Baltimore campuses, where researchers study cancer epidemiology, cancer control and behavioral interventions, and cancer outcomes. The Population Science program was integral to securing NCI Comprehensive status in 2016. The UMGCCC Office of Community Outreach and Engagement supports community-engaged research across all UMGCCC research programs.

Qualifications
Candidates should hold a doctoral degree (Ph.D., DrPH, Sc.D.,) or equivalent doctorate in behavioral science, epidemiology, public health, human development, psychology, sociology, demography, or related social or health science field. The ideal candidate must demonstrate experience (or strong potential) as an independent cancer researcher with current extramurally funded research studies (preferably from the National Cancer Institute), a record of high-quality peer-reviewed publications, and a portfolio of scientific presentations at national and international conferences. Of particular interest are candidates that embrace team science and collaboration with faculty within and outside of the Department, School, and University. Equally important, the candidate must demonstrate teaching excellence (or a promising record of) specifically with health behavior courses at the graduate and/or undergraduate level, engage in service activities (e.g., mentorship), and expertise in developing collaborative research initiatives with community partners. The ideal candidate will have a record that is consistent with the Department's commitment to diversity, equity and inclusion. As a required department in an accredited School of Public Health, we are particularly interested in candidates who can work in a transdisciplinary environment to foster community health and wellness.

Salary and Appointment Date
This is a 9-month tenure-track appointment; salary is commensurate with qualifications. Funding is guaranteed for 9 months annually, with the potential to extend salary support to 12 months with teaching or external funds. Appointments may begin in February 2022 or on a mutually agreed-upon date.

Application
Applicants must apply electronically to https://ejobs.umd.edu/postings/87484, faculty section, position #105989. For best consideration, candidates should submit materials by November 15, 2021. Applications will be accepted until the position is filled. Applications should include the following: 1) cover letter clearly indicating how the candidate meets each of the qualifications listed above, 2) curriculum vitae, 3) two representative peer-reviewed publications, and 4) contact information for three references (to be contacted only with the candidate's approval). Contact Dr. James Butler, Search Committee Chair, Department of Behavioral and Community Health (jbutler9@umd.edu) for questions about the position and Search Coordinator, Mrs. Margarita Rodriguez, Department of Behavioral and Community Health (myrodrig@umd.edu) for questions about the application submission.

The University of Maryland is one of the nation's top 20 research universities. College Park is the flagship campus of the University of Maryland System with over 4,600 faculty, 31,000 undergraduates, and 10,000 graduate students. The campus is located within 10 miles of Washington, DC with easy access to the Metro Rapid Transit system. The Department of Behavioral and Community Health (https://sph.umd.edu/academics/departments-units/department-behavioral-and-community-health) offers a B.S. in Behavioral and Community Health, an Accelerated B.S./M.P.H. program, a M.P.H in Behavioral and Community Health (with an online option available) and a Ph.D. in Behavioral and Community Health. The Department holds anti-racism, equity, and inclusion as core principles, and has one of the most diverse undergraduate student bodies on campus. The Department has faculty, staff, and

students engaged in research on a multitude of various health behaviors; cancer prevention, screening, and cancer-related health disparities; health inequities among vulnerable populations; health communication and health literacy; global health; intervention development; community-engaged research; implementation science; and multi-level health outcomes. The Department also houses Centers including a Prevention Research Center and the Center on Young Adult Health and Development as well as several investigator-led labs. The School and Department are committed to promoting and protecting the health and well-being of diverse communities throughout Maryland, the nation, and the world through leadership and collaboration in interdisciplinary education, research, practice, and public policy.

The University of Maryland, College Park, actively subscribes to a policy of equal employment opportunity, and will not discriminate against any employee or applicant because of race, age, sex, color, sexual orientation, physical or mental disability, religion, ancestry or national origin, marital status, genetic information, political affiliation, and gender identity or expression. Minorities and women are encouraged to apply.