



# UNIVERSITY OF MARYLAND

## University of Maryland, School of Public Health Department of Family Science

### Position Vacancy: Assistant Professor, Family Health and Well-Being (Tenure Track)

The Department of Family Science, School of Public Health, University of Maryland, College Park seeks a full-time tenure track Assistant Professor to join a dynamic, interdisciplinary department with family science, maternal and child health, and couple and family therapy programs. This candidate will help the Department further enhance its national leadership at the forefront of research, education, and practice on families and health. We are particularly interested in candidates conducting research in one or more of these broad areas: the impact of discrimination and racism on family health and well-being (e.g. physical, mental and reproductive health outcomes); the health and well-being of families around the globe affected by climate, migration, conflict, and pandemics; families and healthy aging across the life course; or translation of research evidence into advocacy for policies that promote health equity and social justice for families at local, national and global levels. Candidates should be able to: (1) develop an externally funded research program, (2) teach and mentor undergraduate and graduate students, (3) play a central role in developing the Department's research, practice, and service initiatives with community partners, and (4) demonstrate a commitment to diversity, inclusion, equity, and social justice. The Department has a strong partnership with the University of Maryland Extension, which provides programs on health, well-being, food and nutrition for residents throughout the state.

**Qualifications:** Candidates should hold a doctoral degree (Ph.D., Sc.D., DrPH) or equivalent doctorate in family science, maternal and child health, another public health discipline, human development, psychology, sociology, demography, or a related social or health science field. The ideal candidate will demonstrate a promising record of teaching and published academic research; a record of or strong potential to secure external funding to support research; a commitment to promoting equity, and an expertise in developing collaborative research initiatives with community partners. Candidates must also be effective communicators and demonstrate ability and interest in working with diverse student, faculty and staff populations having a variety of backgrounds, learning styles, and skill levels. As a program in the School of Public Health, we are particularly interested in candidates who can work in a transdisciplinary environment to foster family 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 August 2022 or on a mutually agreed-upon date.

**Application:** Applicants must apply electronically to <https://jobs.umd.edu>, faculty section, position #117492. For best consideration, candidates should submit materials by December 3, 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) one page statement discussing the applicant's past and future contributions to equity and inclusion through teaching, research, and/or service; 4) two representative publications; and 5) contact information for three references (to be contacted only with the candidate's approval).

Contact: Dr. Amy Lewin, Search Committee Chair ([alewin@umd.edu](mailto:alewin@umd.edu)) for questions about the position, and Ms. Traci Jackson, Search Coordinator ([tt1jacks@umd.edu](mailto:tt1jacks@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 metro. The Department of Family Science ([sph.umd.edu/academics/departments-units/departments-family-science](http://sph.umd.edu/academics/departments-units/departments-family-science)) offers a B.S. in Family Science, an M.S. in Couple and Family Therapy (accredited by the Commission on Accreditation for Marriage and Family Therapy Education) and Ph.D. programs in Family Science and Maternal and Child Health. The Department holds diversity, equity, and inclusion as core principles, and has one of the most diverse undergraduate student bodies on campus. The Department operates the Center for Healthy Families, which houses a clinical unit serving approximately 400 area families and couples each year. The Department is within the University of Maryland's accredited School of Public Health ([sph.umd.edu](http://sph.umd.edu)). 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.