Assistant Professor - Psychological Sciences

**POSITION OVERVIEW**

**Position title:** Assistant Professor  
**Salary range:** The posted UC salary scales set the minimum pay determined by rank and/or step at appointment. See Table(s)  
[https://www.ucop.edu/academic-personnel-programs/compensation/2023-24-academic-salary-scales.html]. The salary range for this position is $74,600-$97,200. "Off-scale salaries" and other components of pay, i.e., a salary that is higher than the published system-wide salary at the designated rank and step, are offered when necessary to meet competitive conditions.

**Percent time:** 100  
**Anticipated start:** July 1, 2024  
**Position duration:** This is a tenure track position

**APPLICATION WINDOW**

**Open date:** September 28, 2023  
**Next review date:** Saturday, Oct 28, 2023 at 11:59pm (Pacific Time)  
Apply by this date to ensure full consideration by the committee.

**Final date:** Sunday, Jun 30, 2024 at 11:59pm (Pacific Time)  
Applications will continue to be accepted until this date, but those received after the review date will only be considered if the position has not yet been filled.

**POSITION DESCRIPTION**

The Psychological Sciences Department invites applications for an Assistant Professor (tenure-track) position in Quantitative Methods, Measurement, and Statistics. Candidates in all areas of Quantitative Methods are encouraged to apply, but we are particularly interested in applicants who embrace both Bayesian and frequentist perspectives. Examples of possible research areas include psychometrics, causal inference, data mining, big data, dynamical systems, intensive longitudinal analysis, machine learning, multilevel modeling, text mining, and nonparametric statistics. Those who can fill in gaps of current faculty member’s expertise and those who can strengthen the current expertise are equally welcome.

This is a unique opportunity for an individual to join the faculty at the newest University of California campus and to engage in long-term program building. We seek outstanding scholars who will establish and maintain creative research programs; participate in creating a multi-faculty specialization in Quantitative Methods at UC Merced; participate actively in the development of innovative interdisciplinary programs and research; and teach effectively at the undergraduate and graduate levels.

The successful candidate will have a doctorate in quantitative psychology, educational statistics, or a closely related field by the position start date.

The anticipated start date for this position is July 1, 2024.

The contributions to diversity statement should describe your past experience, activities and future plans to advance diversity, equity and inclusion, in alignment with UC Merced’s mission to reflect the diversity of California and to meet the educational needs and interests of its diverse population. Some faculty candidates may not have substantial past activities. If that is the case, we recommend focusing on future plans in your statement. A more developed and substantial plan is expected for senior candidates. For additional information on what should be included on your Diversity Statement, please visit https://academicpersonnel.ucmerced.edu/Support_for_Faculty_Candidates.

Applicants for the Assistant Professor level should arrange to have three letters of reference submitted online. After an application is submitted, the letters of reference should be electronically uploaded by the letter writers (instructions will be provided by the application system).

For additional information, please contact Sarah Depaoli at sdepaoli@ucmerced.edu.

**QUALIFICATIONS**

Basic qualifications  
In order to be considered, candidates must have a PhD in quantitative psychology, educational statistics, or a closely related field by the position start date.
APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS

Document requirements
- Curriculum Vitae - Your most recently updated C.V.
- Cover Letter
- Statement of Research
- Statement of Teaching
- Statement on Contributions to Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion - Statement on your contributions to equity, diversity, and inclusion, including information about your understanding of these topics, your record of activities to date, and your specific plans and goals for advancing equity and inclusion. Please review the UC Merced Diversity Statement Guidelines and UC’s Commitment to Diversity
- Writing Sample #1
- Writing Sample #2

Reference requirements
- 3 letters of reference required

Apply link: https://aprecruit.ucmerced.edu/JPF01611
Help contact: ssha.ap@ucmerced.edu

CAMPUS INFORMATION

As a University employee, you will be required to comply with all applicable University policies and/or collective bargaining agreements, as may be amended from time to time. Federal, state, or local government directives may impose additional requirements. This includes the University of California Policy on Vaccination Programs: https://policy.ucop.edu/doc/5000695/VaccinationProgramsPolicy.

The University of California is an Equal Employment Opportunity/Affirmative Action employer and invites applications from all qualified applicants, including women, minorities, veterans, and individual with disabilities, who will enrich the teaching, research and public service missions of the university. All qualified applicants will be considered for employment without regard to race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, national origin, disability, age or protected veteran status. For the complete University of California nondiscrimination and affirmative action policy, see: UC Nondiscrimination & Affirmative Action Policy (https://policy.ucop.edu/doc/4000376/DiscHarassAffirmAction).

The University of California, Merced, is the newest of the University of California system’s 10 campuses. With over 9,000 undergraduate and graduate students (https://www.ucmerced.edu/fast-facts), UC Merced provides outstanding educational opportunities to highly qualified students from the heart of California, the nation, and abroad. The campus has special connections to nearby Yosemite National Park; is on the cutting edge of sustainability in construction and design; and supports the economic development of Central California. The Merced 2020 Project doubled the physical capacity of the campus, and enhanced academic distinction, student success, and research excellence (https://merced2020.ucmerced.edu/).

UC Merced is a smoke & tobacco free campus (https://smokefree.ucmerced.edu/).

JOB LOCATION

Merced, CA