

Department of Biostatistics

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Instructor or Assistant Professor Faculty Position

The Department of Biostatistics at Virginia Commonwealth University invites applications for a 12-month, non-tenure track faculty position at the rank of Instructor or Assistant Professor, depending on experience. Candidates are eligible for promotion following requisite service in the role. We seek applicants who will contribute to the department's educational mission through the teaching core and elective graduate-level biostatistics courses supporting our Ph.D. and M.S. programs and the mentoring of graduate students. Instruction will occur in person and online (asynchronous). For a list of courses the department offers, visit https://bulletin.vcu.edu/azcourses/bios/.

The faculty member will share a deep commitment to effective instruction, creation of innovative courses, and mentoring students in research, outreach, and professional development related to the Biostatistics graduate programs. They should demonstrate leadership in developing pedagogical techniques designed to meet the needs of diverse learning styles and intellectual interests, especially in the context of the interdisciplinary research interests that complement the graduate programs. The faculty member will contribute to the department's educational mission through engagement in the training of students and faculty via the development and implementation of in-person and online courses, mentoring of capstone projects of master-level students, and supervision of dissertation research. The faculty member will teach four to seven courses per year, with consideration given to course preparation and enrollment. Faculty members will serve on Departmental, College, and/or University committees as necessary, as well as in a professional capacity in their field (e.g., reviewer, conference organizer, etc.)

Applicants should submit a cover letter, current curriculum vitae, teaching statement, Statement of Contributions to Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion, and the contact information for three persons who can provide letters of recommendation. Materials should be submitted at wcujobs.com. As a state institution, VCU offers a comprehensive benefits package and competitive salary commensurate with experience.

Required Qualifications:

- Ph.D. or equivalent terminal degree in Biostatistics, Statistics, or a closely related field.
- Commitment to teaching excellence and innovative instruction.
- Demonstrated experience working in and fostering a diverse faculty, staff, and student environment or commitment to do so as a faculty member at VCU.

Preferred Qualifications:

- Teaching experience at the masters or doctoral level.
- Proven trainee & faculty mentorship skills.

Review of applications will begin immediately. All applications received by November 30th will be given full consideration, with review continuing until the position is filled. Please email questions to Robert Perera, Ph.D., Search Committee Chair, rperera2@vcu.edu

About the Department of Biostatistics

The Department of Biostatistics is housed in the School of Population Health at Virginia Commonwealth University (VCU). The department's mission is to improve human health through methodological research, graduate education, and collaboration with health science researchers on biostatistical methods and applications. Our focus includes designing and helping conduct novel clinical trials for investigating potential cancer therapies. We collaborate with public health research teams on complicated, hierarchical, and multifaceted health problems. As educators, we aim to train the next generation of biostatisticians, bioinformaticists, and data scientists in methodological, collaborative, and leadership skills. The department is committed to fostering a diverse, equitable, and inclusive environment.

Located in the heart of Richmond, Virginia, VCU is a premier urban, public research university committed to student success and community service. One of just a handful of universities to receive both a "Very High Research Activity" status and a "Community Engaged" designation from the Carnegie Foundation, VCU also boasts nine programs in the U.S. News and World Report's top 10, as well as the region's top-rated medical center. Richmond's lively and welcoming city provides the ideal backdrop for VCU's academic work. Rich in culture and history, the city becomes a living laboratory where our faculty, staff, and students can tackle problems directly affecting our local communities and see the impact of their work first-hand.