

The University of Texas at El Paso
College of Liberal Arts
Department of Psychology
Health Psychology Faculty Position

POSITION DESCRIPTION: The University of Texas at El Paso (UTEP), Department of Psychology, invites applications for a tenure-track Assistant Professor position in Health Psychology. The purpose of this position is to grow our health psychology concentration area within our doctoral program. Faculty with a strong trajectory in the area of cultural and social determinants of health are especially encouraged to apply. This position will be integral to our expertise in the study of **minority health and Hispanic health disparities**. Applicants with training in health, social and/or clinical psychology are encouraged to apply. Preference will be given to candidates with a history to attract external funding. Appointment is scheduled to start in the Fall 2023 semester.

REQUIRED QUALIFICATIONS: A Ph.D. in Psychology; published research; potential to attract external funding; and the ability to teach and direct undergraduate and graduate research, with a high level of productivity.

ABOUT UTEP AND EL PASO: The University of Texas at El Paso is a Carnegie R1 and Community Engaged research university at the heart of the U.S.-Mexico border region that is increasing access to excellent higher education. UTEP enrolls more than 24,000 students, and more than half of undergraduates are the first generation in their families to attend college.

The city's border location makes it an ideal venue for academic programs and research studies on topics of national interest such as public health, health disparities, bilingual education/language acquisition, border environment and immigration.

UTEP's award-winning, sustainably designed campus landscape and unique Bhutanese architecture create an energizing and tranquil oasis in the bustling El Paso-Juárez metroplex of more than 2 million residents. El Paso is a highly livable, bicultural community of more than 800,000 people that offers affordable homes and attractive neighborhoods. It has been repeatedly named among the safest large U.S. cities and is one of the largest bilingual, binational, multicultural communities in the Western Hemisphere.

El Paso experiences almost 300 days of sunshine annually, and residents enjoy outdoor activities year-round. The City of El Paso is adjacent to the state of New Mexico and the country of Mexico, making it an ideal venue for academic programs and research studies on topics of national interest, such as bilingual education/language acquisition, border environment and immigration, environmental sustainability and infrastructure, health disparities, and international trade and commerce.

El Paso's active arts and culture community features the state's longest-running symphony orchestra, a nationally recognized chamber music festival, art galleries, museums, and a full schedule of seasonal events and festivals. UTEP adds to the arts and entertainment scene with an award-winning dinner theater, music and dance productions, contemporary and student art galleries, and a natural history museum.

For sports fans, the UTEP Miners offer exciting Division I college athletics at several campus venues including Sun Bowl Stadium, the Don Haskins Center, Kidd Field, University Field and the Helen of Troy Softball Complex. Southwest University Park, located a mile away in lively downtown El Paso, is home to the El Paso Chihuahuas, the Triple-A affiliate of the San Diego Padres, and the El Paso Locomotive, a professional soccer team founded in 2019. El Paso is also located approximately 3 hours to 5 national and state parks, as well as ski resorts and hiking trails.

ABOUT THE DEPARTMENT AND THE HEALTH PSYCHOLOGY AREA: The Psychology Department has 18 tenured and tenure-track faculty members. We have an active Ph.D. program and a vibrant interdisciplinary research environment. Our department offers a nationally recognized doctoral program with concentrations in Health Psychology; Social/Cultural Psychology; Behavioral Neuroscience; Bilingualism, Language, and Cognition; and Legal Psychology. The health psychology faculty have research interests in substance use and addictions research, risk perception, health communication and perceptions of patient care. All have recently received federal, state or regional grant funding, including recent NIH R01 and R25 funding, as well as funding from the Paso del Norte Health Foundation.

APPLICATION PROCEDURE: Interested candidates must submit: 1) a letter summarizing qualifications and fit within the department and program; 2) a current curriculum vitae; 3) statement of research interests; 4) statement of teaching philosophy; 5) relevant reprints or pre-prints (no more than three); 6) a statement of contributions to diversity, equity, inclusion, and accessibility and, 7) complete contact information for three professional references. Review of applications will begin on October 15, 2022 and continue to be reviewed until a hiring decision has been made. Hiring decisions are based upon budgetary approval. If you have any questions about the position, you may contact Craig Field, Search Committee Chair at cfield@utep.edu. To apply, please visit <https://www.utep.edu/employment>.

In keeping with its Access and Excellence mission, the University of Texas at El Paso is committed to an open, diverse, and inclusive learning and working environment that honors the talents, respects the differences, and nurtures the growth and development of all. We seek to attract faculty and staff who share our commitment.

The University of Texas at El Paso is an Equal Opportunity/Affirmative Action employer. The University does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national

origin, sex, religion, age, disability, genetic information, veteran status, sexual orientation or gender identity in employment or the provision of services in accordance with state and federal law. Discrimination on the basis of sex includes an employee's or prospective employee's right to be free from sexual harassment under Title IX of the Higher Education Amendments of 1972.