Tenured Associate Professor Position

Community Violence Prevention and Intervention

As one of the nation’s top schools of social work, Boston University School of Social Work (BUSSW) is dedicated to the pursuit of excellence in education, research, and evidence-based practice to advance social, racial and economic justice and solve the most pressing societal problems of the 21st century.

The BUSSW currently invites applications from midcareer academics with a commitment to research, scholarship and teaching in the field of community violence prevention and intervention in the U.S. and/or globally (e.g., neighborhood safety, gun-related violence, youth violence, suicide, child abuse, intimate partner violence, community mental health & trauma interventions) to join our faculty beginning in the 2020-2021 academic year as part of the School’s efforts to deepen its commitment to addressing this societal issue. Applicants’ research and scholarship may focus on exploring the causes and consequences of violence, developing and evaluating innovative community interventions, examining the role of social institutions/systems (e.g., health, education, criminal justice, politics) in addressing violence, or other substantive contributions to the field.

The School believes that the cultural and social diversity of our faculty, staff, and students is vitally important to the distinction of our academic and research programs. We are especially eager to have join our ranks a colleague who supports our institutional commitment to ensuring BU is inclusive, equitable, diverse, and a place where all constituents can thrive.

The successful candidate will have:

- a doctoral degree in social work or related field (e.g., sociology, psychology, public health, public policy),
- an established research program in community violence,
- experience receiving external funding (i.e., NIH, SAMHSA, NIJ),
- a strong record of scholarly publications, and
- a national/international reputation as a thought leader in the field.

Additionally, BUSSW seeks an individual who has the leadership skills for interdisciplinary, collaborative research, and will actively pursue opportunities across Boston University’s 16 colleges and schools (i.e., Public Health, Medicine, Education, Rehabilitation Sciences, Arts and Sciences).
The candidate will join a dynamic school with an extensive research portfolio with funding from NIH, DoD, SAMHSA, HRSA, and private foundations, among others, and supportive alumni as evidenced by the School surpassing its initial capital campaign goal of $20 million by approximately >30%. The candidate will have the opportunity to work closely with researchers in the Center for Innovation in Social Work and Health (CISWH), an endowed research center, and the Center for Aging & Disability Education & Research (CADER).

The School of Social Work is located in the heart of BU’s Charles River Campus and is currently ranked #10 among graduate schools of social work by U.S. News & World Report. With over 900 MSW and PhD students from across the U.S. and abroad enrolled in our main campus, off-campus, or online programs, the BU School of Social Work is a vibrant and diverse community.

The School is distinguished by its vision to advance a just society that promotes the health and empowerment of all marginalized populations, and by its mission to develop dynamic and diverse social work practitioners, leaders, and scholars in a multicultural environment. (For additional information on the Boston University School of Social Work please visit our website (www.bu.edu/ssw).

The application deadline is November 1, 2019 or until the position is filled. Early applications are strongly encouraged.

Please submit a letter of application and current CV. In your letter of application, please outline your research, scholarship, and teaching skills and experience. In the letter, we welcome a description of how, as a teacher, researcher, scholar, and/or practitioner, you engage and sustain a commitment to diversity, equity, and inclusion and to working with communities.

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