

Tenure-track Assistant Professor Faculty Position in Neurobiology and Behavior at UC Irvine

UCI invites applications for a full-time tenure-track Assistant Professor position to join the faculty of the Department of Neurobiology and Behavior in the School of Biological Sciences at the University of California, Irvine.

Ideal applicants will employ addiction-relevant behavioral models in rodents or other model organisms and will conduct research that integrates cutting edge neuroscience techniques and conceptually innovative approaches to better understand the biological bases of addiction and related disorders. Additional research interests may include the intersection of social environment with drug use and/or comorbidity of drug use with other disorders/disease states, such as psychiatric conditions, metabolic disorders, or infectious disease.

Applicants should hold a Ph.D., M.D.-Ph.D., or equivalent degree(s) and demonstrate evidence for a rigorous research program based on prior research productivity and future research plans. Evidence of securing prior extramural funding will be evaluated positively. Applicants are expected to contribute to teaching at both the graduate and undergraduate levels and demonstrate a commitment to service and leadership at UCI and wider communities. Please submit by June 17, 2024, a curriculum vitae, 3-page description of research interests and accomplishments, 1-page statement of teaching and mentoring experience, 1-page statement highlighting contributions to inclusive excellence, and the contact details for three referees. Information on the department is available at: <http://neurobiology.uci.edu>

The successful candidate will be able to leverage and complement existing strengths of the Department of Neurobiology and Behavior, as well as the UCI neuroscience research community including the Irvine Center for Addiction Neuroscience (ICAN). Additional points of synergy may include the Center for the Study of Cannabis, Center for Depression Research, Conte Centers, Center for Neural Circuit Mapping, and Center for Neurobiology of Learning and Memory.

The UCI School of Biological Sciences is recognized as a national leader in the development of programs designed to increase the participation of underrepresented groups in the biomedical sciences (<http://port.bio.uci.edu/about/>) and is firmly committed to the ideals of equity, diversity, and inclusion (<https://equity.bio.uci.edu/>). The University of California, Irvine is an Equal Opportunity/Affirmative Action Employer advancing inclusive excellence. All qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, national origin, disability, age, protected veteran status, or other protected categories covered by the UC nondiscrimination policy. A recipient of an NSF ADVANCE award for gender equity, UCI is responsive to the needs of dual career couples, supports work-life balance through an array of family-friendly policies, and is dedicated to broadening participation in higher education. UCI is a Minority Serving Institution (MSI), a Hispanic-Serving Institution (HSI) and an Asian American and Native American Pacific Islander-Serving Institution (AANAPISI). These federal designations align with UCI's aspiration to be a

national leader and global model of inclusive excellence. We seek faculty who are committed to promoting diversity, as well as diverse faculty who will be role models for our students.

Required Application Documents:

Research Statement (3 pages).

An overview of prior and ongoing research and an outlook for future research directions to establish independence.

Teaching and Mentoring Statement (1 page).

This statement should indicate the candidate's teaching experiences to date, and their areas of teaching interest. In addition to didactic teaching experiences, applicants may also describe research mentorship experiences, outreach activities, and other related experiences and plans. Candidates should describe their teaching approach and philosophy, active and evidence-based teaching strategies, or other plans for engaging in effective teaching strategies. If possible, provide evidence of effectiveness of previous teaching. See our guidance for writing a reflective teaching statement - <https://ap.uci.edu/faculty/guidance/teachstatement/>

Inclusive Excellence Activities Statement (1 page). Applicants will be evaluated on evidence of having contributed to inclusive excellence in the areas of service, teaching and research, and their desire to continue these efforts at UCI. They should provide specific examples (if any) of a track record and success in activities aimed at reducing barriers in education or research for underrepresented or disadvantaged groups, detail specific plans (if any) to contribute to existing campus programs, initiate new activities, or participate in national or off-campus organizations, and discuss their perspective on issues faced by historically underrepresented or economically disadvantaged groups. Additional guidance on what to include in this statement can be found here: <https://ap.uci.edu/faculty/guidance/ieactivities/>

QUALIFICATIONS

Basic qualifications (required at time of application)

Applicants should hold a Ph.D., M.D.-Ph.D., or equivalent degree(s).

Additional qualifications (required at time of application)

Evidence of rigorous research program based on prior research productivity and future research plans.

Commitment to contribute to teaching at both the graduate and undergraduate levels.

Commitment to service, leadership, and inclusive excellence.

APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS

Document requirements

Curriculum Vitae - Your most recently updated C.V.

Cover Letter

Statement of Research

Teaching Statement

Inclusive Excellence Activities Statement

Sexual Misconduct, Harassment and Discrimination Declaration Form - All applicants of academic positions at the University of California, Irvine must download, complete, sign, and upload the following form with their application: Sexual Misconduct, Harassment and Discrimination Declaration Form

Misc / Additional (Optional)

Reference requirements

3 required. Please only provide contact information with the application submission. Letter requests will be sent for candidates under serious consideration after initial application review by the committee.