

Job Title:

Assistant Professor – Tenure Track - Medical Discovery Team on Addiction (MDTA)

Job Description

The University of Minnesota Department of Psychiatry & Behavioral Sciences (Minneapolis, MN) is seeking candidates for a tenure-track faculty appointment as part of a multi-departmental endeavor across the Medical School. The overarching vision is to link basic and translational research to new therapeutic approaches for addiction. The State of Minnesota appropriated significant funds for the University of Minnesota Medical School to build the Medical Discovery Team on Addiction (MDTA) - a world-class, neuroscience-based program whose mission is to discover new, transformative therapies for Substance Use Disorders.

The MDTA is composed of outstanding faculty with expertise in addiction-relevant areas, including the neural circuitry of addiction, mechanisms of drug craving, reward and relapse, stress and emotional regulation, and decision-making. For this position, we are particularly interested in individuals with clinical experience who perform human clinical research and whose research programs include neuromodulation approaches for treating addiction. The overall vision is to promote synergy across disciplines and levels of research to advance discovery and new therapies for humans suffering from addictions.

Research of current MDTA faculty has significant support from federal sources. The National Institute on Drug Abuse (NIDA)-based research funding currently stands at ~\$15M per year, including a NIDA “Center of Excellence”- the Center for Neural Circuits in Addiction. Funded research includes studies of psychostimulants, alcohol, nicotine, and opioids. We serve as the NorthStar Node of the NIDA Clinical Trials Network - a national platform for pragmatic clinical effectiveness trials in addiction. In addition, addiction-based research is funded by the National Institute on Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism (NIAAA), the National Cancer Institute (NCI), and the National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute (NHLBI) at ~\$12M per year. The University of Minnesota has a strong history of collaborative and transdisciplinary investigation in addiction research.

Additional strengths at the University of Minnesota include: the internationally-recognized Center for Magnetic Resonance Research - at the forefront of high field imaging and the Human Connectome project; the Institute for Therapeutics Discovery and Development with the resources and expertise to develop new drug therapies; the Clinical and Translational Science Institute, which provides resources to implement new treatment strategies and is a conduit to promote the community-wide understanding and application of scientific discoveries; and the MnDRIVE Brain Conditions area, which supports research and translation relevant to neuromodulation for brain conditions, including state-of-the art neuromodulation research

facilities to conduct clinical research across the lifespan and covering the range of invasive to noninvasive approaches; and the University of Minnesota Physicians Interventional Psychiatry Program, a specialty clinic with neuromodulation-based treatment options Minnesota is also the home of multiple medical device companies where the development of therapeutic approaches to addiction is a priority, and world-renowned hospitals and treatment centers for addiction. Leveraging University relationships with these resources throughout Minnesota will aid the team in achieving their goals.

Required Qualifications:

Candidates must hold MD or PhD degrees, be clinically licensable in the state of Minnesota, and must be a US citizen or be eligible for NIH funding.

About the Department

The Department of Psychiatry & Behavioral Sciences consists of an outstanding team of researchers, clinicians, and educators who provide world-class expertise in psychiatric illness, treatment, scholarship, and scientific discovery.

Our mission is to:

- Create and disseminate new knowledge in the science of mental health
- Provide effective and innovative clinical care programs to alleviate the suffering of mental illness and promote mental resilience
- Train the next generation of interprofessional experts who will be leaders in Minnesota and beyond
- Engage in compassionate and vigorous outreach and advocacy on issues relevant to psychiatric illness, treatment, and research

You can find more information on our website at <https://med.umn.edu/psychiatry>.

Working at the University of Minnesota

At the University of Minnesota, you'll find a flexible work environment and supportive colleagues who are interested in lifelong learning. We prioritize work-life balance, allowing you to invest in the future of your career and in your life outside of work. The University also offers a comprehensive benefits package.

Salary Information

Salary at the University of Minnesota is dependent upon academic effort of the person hired, and begins at \$55,000. Total salary is competitive with market and based on AAMC salary benchmarks.

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