

School of Journalism University of Missouri

The University of Missouri School of Journalism is seeking applications for two faculty positions in science communication. The School has a long-standing reputation for providing cutting-edge research, teaching, and outreach work that influence and lead the industry. With an increasing need to deepen the public understanding of science and improve public discourse about science, these two new positions have been created to further the School's mission of facilitating high-impact research activities that can help bridge the divide between scientists, science communicators and the broader public. Candidates may come from academic disciplines such as journalism, strategic communication or a related field, with research expertise in science communication as broadly defined.

This significant investment continues MU's strategy of hiring faculty from key interdisciplinary areas to strengthen its culture of academic collaboration and industry outreach to attain a global impact. Successful candidates for the positions will be expected to help the University build an interdisciplinary, innovative, and forward-thinking center of science communication, bringing together researchers, students and professionals from journalism, strategic communication, science, engineering, public policy, law, business and other fields. The new faculty members will be housed in the School of Journalism and hold joint appointments in the College of Agriculture, Food & Natural Resources. They are also expected to work closely with the Christopher S. Bond Life Science Center and other STEM programs across the campus. They will have the opportunity to work with the Health Communication Research Center at the School of Journalism.

Position 1: Full or Associate Professor

Qualifications and responsibilities: A Ph.D. in journalism, communication or related fields is required. The successful candidate must have an established research program including high impact publications and vigorous extramural funding with a primary focus in science communication. The successful candidate will be committed to interdisciplinary teaching, have a demonstrated ability to mentor graduate students and help create a climate that attracts students of diverse backgrounds. The new faculty member must have an enthusiastic desire and demonstrated ability to help develop a center for science communication, be able to collaborate

on interdisciplinary research and teaching with other academic units on campus, and to build connections with the professional community.

Position 2: Associate or Assistant Professor

Qualifications and responsibilities: A Ph.D. in journalism, communication or related fields is required. The successful candidate must have a demonstrated record of research productivity with a primary focus in science communication. The successful candidate will be expected to engage in an innovative, extramurally funded research program and to teach and mentor students of diverse backgrounds. The ideal candidate will have an enthusiastic desire to help develop a center for science communication, be able to collaborate on interdisciplinary research and teaching with other academic units on campus, and to build connections with the professional community.

About Missouri School of Journalism

Founded in 1908, the Missouri School of Journalism is the world's oldest and leading journalism program and has been widely recognized for excellence and innovation in undergraduate and graduate education and scholarship. In its 2014 annual ranking of top journalism schools, NewsPro-Radio Television Digital News Association again ranked the Missouri School of Journalism "far and away" the No. 1 journalism school in the country. The National Research Council ranks the School's doctoral program among the top journalism/communication programs in the nation. In addition, the School's Reynolds Journalism Institute provides state-of-the-art resources for researchers and professionals to test new ideas, uses social science research to assess their effectiveness, and delivers solutions that citizens and journalists can put to use in their communities.

Currently, the School offers academic education and practical training to more than 2,000 undergraduates and 300 graduate students. The School has a close and productive relationship with other academic units on campus, the media industry and the local community. It operates award-winning, community-based, multiplatform news outlets and produces comprehensive research-based advertising and public relations campaigns for real clients. The School also houses headquarters of prominent professional organizations, including American Society of

News Editors, Investigative Reporters and Editors, Association of Health Care Journalists, and the Picture of the Year International, among others.

About Columbia, Missouri

The University of Missouri (MU or Mizzou), located in Columbia, has an enrollment of 35,000 students and is Missouri's largest public research university. Mizzou is also the flagship campus of the four-campus University of Missouri System and one of only five universities nationwide with law, medicine, veterinary medicine and a nuclear research reactor on one campus. A member of the prestigious Association of American Universities since 1908, Mizzou is considered one of the nation's top-tier institutions.

With a population of 100,000, Columbia is located midway between Missouri's largest cities, St. Louis and Kansas City. *Money* magazine, *Fortune* magazine, *U.S. News & World Report*, *Men's Journal*, and MSN.com have named Columbia one of the best places in the United States to live because of its high quality of life. Columbia is home to nationally renowned public schools, including two top-ranked high schools. The city provides many opportunities for art, culture and music enthusiasts and has been recognized as a bike-friendly community with many parks and trails.

To Apply

Apply online here (<http://hrs.missouri.edu/find-a-job/academic/index.php>) by uploading (a) a letter of application that describes your research, teaching, and outreach/professional experiences; (b) a curriculum vitae, (c) evidence of teaching excellence, (d) the names and contact information for three references. Please reference job number 19657. Review of applications will begin September 30, 2016 and continue until the positions are filled.

An Equal Opportunity/Access/Affirmative Action/Pro Disabled and Veteran Employer

The University of Missouri is fully committed to achieving the goal of a diverse and inclusive academic community of faculty, staff and students. We seek individuals who are committed to this goal and our core campus values of respect, responsibility, discovery and excellence.

To request ADA accommodations, please contact the Office of Accessibility & ADA Education at 573-884-7278 or CheekA@missouri.edu.