

# POSITION ANNOUNCEMENT

## Professor and Chair of Biostatistics

Gillings School of Global Public Health  
University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

The Gillings School of Global Public Health at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill invites applications for Professor and Chair of the Department of Biostatistics. The candidate must be eligible for appointment at the rank of Full Professor with tenure and have an outstanding publication and funding record as well as an international reputation in biostatistics. She or he must have a demonstrated commitment to: professional and public service, interdisciplinary collaboration, promotion of diversity and inclusion, mentoring and teaching 21<sup>st</sup> century learners. The candidate should be an innovator with demonstrated leadership, communication and administrative abilities who can help the department articulate its mission and promote strategies to achieve that mission. The applicant should have a proven ability to think and lead strategically, and to balance multiple priorities, assist with development activities and manage the finances and human resources of our large, dynamic and diverse department. Candidates should also be prepared to serve as a leader in the School and to collaborate across the School and University with other department and senior leaders.

The Department of Biostatistics is internationally recognized as a leader in Biostatistics research and training. It is one of seven departments in the Gillings School of Global Public Health and was founded in 1949 with the mission to improve the health and wellbeing of the population. This mission is accomplished through the interaction of teaching, research and service. Major research strengths include: genomics and statistical genetics, survival analysis, analyses relevant to environmental health, precision health, machine learning/artificial intelligence, imaging, longitudinal data, and semiparametric inference, among other areas. The Department of Biostatistics has advanced a major teaching and research initiative in data science in recent years. The department has NIH training grants in genomics, imaging, environmental health, and Big data. In the *US News & World Report*, the department is ranked #4 in the US and ranks 1<sup>st</sup> in NIH funding. Biostatistics was 4th among all departments and centers across campus in research funding at UNC Chapel Hill for fiscal year 2019, with \$47M sponsored research awards to faculty. The Department (<https://sph.unc.edu/bios/biostatistics/>) consists of 18 tenured/tenure-track faculty, 15 fixed-term faculty, 7 joint faculty, 73 permanent staff members and 49 temporary employees. As part of its mission to solve public health problems, the Department of Biostatistics houses the highly successful Collaborative Studies Coordinating Center (CSCC) and the Carolina Survey Research Laboratory (CSRL). The Department has 125 doctoral students, 59 master's students, and 51 undergraduate students.

The University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill is the nation's first state university, distinguished by its academic prestige and unlimited opportunities for collaboration on campus, across the state and the nation, and globally. At the UNC Gillings School of Global Public Health, diversity, inclusiveness and civility are core values as well as characteristics of the School. We strongly encourage applications from diverse individuals, including but not limited to diversity in characteristics such as race/ethnicity, color, national origin, age, gender, socioeconomic background, religion, creed, veteran's status, gender identity, gender expression, sexual orientation and disability. *The University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill* is an equal opportunity and affirmative action employer. All qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to age, color, disability, gender, gender expression, gender identity,

genetic information, national origin, race, religion, sex, sexual orientation, or status as a protected veteran.

Inclusive Excellence is a core value at the Gillings School of Global Public Health. We expect our faculty and staff to actively contribute to fostering an academic workplace climate that is welcoming and supportive for all.

Qualified applicants are encouraged to submit a curriculum vitae and letter describing their specific leadership and administrative qualifications and interest in the position to:

<http://unc.peopleadmin.com/postings/177005>

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Chair, Search Committee for Chair of Biostatistics