Assistant or Associate Research Professor in Epidemiology or Biostatistics

The Graduate Program in Public Health at University of Southern Maine’s Muskie School of Public Service invites applications for a Research Faculty position (Assistant or Associate) in Public Health, with an emphasis on epidemiology or biostatistics. The position will also involve an adjunct faculty appointment with the Maine Medical Center Research Institute’s Center for Outcomes Research and Evaluation. This is a 12-month, full-time, non-tenure track position that begins January 1, 2018, or as soon as possible. This position is fully funded for 2.5 years, with support from the Maine Economic Improvement Fund, the state’s research and development funding. Continued employment of the selected candidate after the first 2.5 years will be contingent upon the availability of academic and research funding.

We are seeking candidates who can be a strategic leader in our work in health informatics, and drive a research agenda around public health and health data. The successful candidate will demonstrate an interest in teaching and in building our graduate program. He or she will teach a 1-1 teaching load in the Graduate Program in Public Health, as well as participating in advising and curriculum development.

Faculty in the Graduate Program in Public Health hold appointments in the Cutler Institute for Health and Social Policy. The Cutler Institute has a broad portfolio of local, state and nationally-funded research, evaluation, and technical assistance programs and projects spanning population health and health policy, disability and aging, child and family policy and justice policy. The Institute has 120 faculty and staff and over $18M in external federal, state, and foundation support.

We are seeking candidates with a range of skills and research experience that may include data analytics, data visualization, predictive modeling, manipulating large and complex databases, and applying advanced statistical techniques to population health and health services research. The ability to work effectively with external partners, researchers, faculty and students is critical to the success of this position.

The successful candidate must be eligible to work in the U.S. by the effective date of appointment.

The University of Southern Maine (USM) is Maine’s Metropolitan University, dedicated to providing students with a high-quality, accessible, affordable education.

USM’s strategic focus is in alignment with the Coalition of Urban and Metropolitan Universities and we are seeking to become a Carnegie Engaged University by the year 2020. USM offers Baccalaureate, Master’s, and Doctoral programs, providing students with rich learning and community engagement opportunities in the arts,
humanities, politics, health sciences, business, mass communications, science, engineering, and technology. Further information on USM can be found at www.usm.maine.edu.

USM’s three environmentally friendly campuses are unique, yet all share the extensive resources of the university — and all are energized through strong community partnerships. Offering easy access to Boston, plus the ocean, mountains and forests of coastal, inland and northern Maine, USM is at the heart of Maine’s most exciting metropolitan region:

- Our Portland campus is located in "one of America’s most livable cities," according to Forbes magazine, which also ranks Portland among the top 10 for job prospects. A creative and diverse community on Maine’s scenic coast, Portland is nationally known as a "foodie" hot spot!
- USM’s beautiful residential Gorham campus supports and celebrates excellence in academics, athletics, music and the arts and is home to ten Living Learning Communities and six Residential Communities.
- Our Lewiston campus is home to USM’s innovative and richly diverse Lewiston-Auburn College. This Central Maine campus integrates classroom, community and workplace, and provides a small college experience with the resources of a large university.

Qualifications:

**Required:** A Ph.D. degree in public health with a focus on epidemiology or biostatistics or a related field with a strong public health emphasis is required. This position requires experience in applied research. Area of specialization is open; however, candidates should possess a sufficiently broad skill set to serve a diverse set of research and analytic needs. Candidates must demonstrate strengths in statistical programming and data management. The successful candidate must also demonstrate the promise of sustaining an extramurally funded research program through a record of scholarship, including grant writing experience and publication of peer-reviewed literature.

**Preferred:** A record of self-supporting research funding. Strong commitment to graduate education, including teaching and curriculum development. Evidence of commitment to diversity, student success and active learning, and community engagement. Desire to help build USM’s public health research portfolio in the area of data analytics. Leadership experience and the ability to lead an interdisciplinary team.

Salary and rank will be commensurate with experience.
Apply online at: http://usm.maine.edu/hrs/job-opportunities. You will need to create an applicant profile, complete an application (which includes contact information for three professional references), and upload a cover letter including salary requirements and a resume/curriculum vitae which fully describes your qualifications and experiences with specific reference to the required and preferred qualifications. You will also need to complete the affirmative action survey, the self-identification of disability form, and the self-identification of veteran status form.

To ensure full consideration, materials should be submitted by **November 5, 2017**. Materials received after this date may be considered at the discretion of the University. **We are not able to consider applicants who require Visa sponsorship support.**

Appropriate background screening will be conducted for the successful candidate.

USM is an EEO/AA employer. All qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to race, color, religion, sex, national origin, sexual orientation, age, disability, protected veteran status, or any other characteristic protected by law.