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(1) Department of Statistics, University of Chicago: Lecturer

The Department of Statistics at the University of Chicago seeks to hire a full-time Lecturer for a two-year appointment starting in Autumn Quarter 2015. This is a renewable position.

Applicants must have completed all requirements for a PhD at the time the appointment begins and have previous experience in statistical research and teaching. Review of complete applications, including recommendation letters, will begin June 8, 2015, and continue until the position is filled. All applicants must apply through the University’s Academic Career Opportunities website at http://tinyurl.com/ld2unf6 and upload a cover letter of interest, a curriculum vitae, and a teaching statement. Three letters of recommendation will be required. Referral letter submission information will be provided during the application process.

Inquiries should be sent to the Search Committee at search@galton.uchicago.edu.
All qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to race, color, religion, sex, national origin, age, protected veteran status or status as an individual with disability. The University of Chicago is an Affirmative Action / Equal Opportunity / Disabled / Veterans Employer.

Funding

(1) Writing/Designing Winning NSF Proposals Workshop (online version also available)

This comprehensive workshop is geared for those who wish to submit winning research proposals to the National Science Foundation (NSF).

You will learn how to:

- Navigate the NSF website
- Read and interpret RFAs
- Compose the pieces of the NSF proposal
- Develop and write the Intellectual Merit and Broader Impact statements
- Understand the scoring and review process
- Submit proposals that reach the top of competitions

Taking place at Baylor University June 04, 2015, 8:30 AM - 4:30 PM

Registration is $375.00. Discounts available for registering two or more from the same organization or for one person registering for both the NIH and NSF workshops


You may also be interested in the NIH counterpart to this workshop on June 03, 2015

For more information visit our website or call: 1-866-704-7268

Can't make it? We also have: An Online Version of this Workshop

(2) JSM Meeting on Funding Opportunities for Statisticians

The JSM Meeting on Funding Opportunities for Statisticians now has 7 representatives from NIH, NSF, and PCORI confirmed to speak (pending travel approval) at its 12:15
pm session on Sunday, August 9: ASA Committee on Funded Research to Host Funding Opportunities Session at 2015 JSM.

Here’s the line-up so far:

- Cheryl Eavey, Program Director of the NSF Methodology, Measurement, and Statistics program in the Social, Behavioral, and Economic Sciences Directorate, 2014 JSM Slides, (Accepted pending travel arrangements.)
- Gregory K. Farber, Director, Office of Technology Development and Coordination, National Institute of Mental Health (NIMH), NIH, to speak on BRAIN Initiative opportunities (invitation accepted pending travel approval)
- Jason Gerson, Associate Director, CER Methods and Infrastructure, Patient-Centered Outcomes Research Institute (PCORI), confirmed
- Peter Kozel, NIH Scientific Review Officer, Biostatistical Methods and Research Design Study Section (BMRD), to speak on NIGMS funding opportunities (invitation accepted pending travel approval)
- Deborah Lockhart, Deputy Division Director, Division of Information and Intelligent Systems, NSF Directorate for Computer and Information Sciences and Engineering (CISE) (Accepted)
- Stephen Marcus, NIH NIGMS, to speak on NIGMS funding opportunities (invitation accepted pending travel approval)
- Michael Vogelius, Director, Division of Mathematical Sciences (invitation accepted pending travel arrangements.)

Please check ASA Committee on Funded Research to Host Funding Opportunities Session at 2015 JSM for updates and the room number.

(3) NSF CAREER Award for Advanced Cyberinfrastructure


See also this Computing Community Consortium blog entry: NSF CAREER Program in Advanced Cyberinfrastructure (ACI)

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Other opportunities

(1) JSM sessions of interest to departments of statistics/biostatistics

As we spot JSM sessions that might be of interest to academic departments of statistics or biostatistics, we'll include them in this digest. Here are two:

Preparing Students to Work in Industry – Presenters from the academic side from Ohio State, Carnegie Mellon, and Virginia Tech, with discussants from the industry side from Lubrizol, Exponent, and Procter and Gamble.

The Statistics Identity Crisis: Are We Really Data Scientists? – Industry presenters from Stripe and AT&T, academic presenters from Emory and the University of British Columbia.

(2) Call for Nominations: Best Nonclinical Statistical Application Paper Award

The Nonclinical Biostatistics Leaders’ Forum (NCBLF) announces a call for nominations for best nonclinical statistical application paper published during the period 2011-2014. The NCBLF seeks to recognize excellence in nonclinical statistical science: papers must have been published in a peer-reviewed scientific journal and demonstrate an important statistical application in any pharmaceutical or biopharmaceutical nonclinical subject context.

Nonclinical context is defined as Discovery/Biomarkers/-omics, Preclinical Toxicology/Safety/Pharmacology, Chemistry Manufacturing & Controls (CMC) or medical devices. Submissions will be evaluated based on innovation, influence on statistical practice, or impact on the interface of regulatory and statistical considerations. The winner(s) will be recognized at the NCB2015 conference in October, 2015. Nominations, including a nomination letter and the publication, should be submitted to the NCB2015 conference website at www.NCB2015.org on or before August 15, 2015.

(3) Call for Abstracts: AHRQ Research Conference October 4 – 6

The 2015 AHRQ Research Conference, "Producing Evidence and Engaging Partners to Improve Health Care", cohosted with AcademyHealth will be held October 4–6 at the Crystal Gateway Marriott Hotel and Convention Center in Crystal City, Virginia.

This year, AHRQ and AcademyHealth are expanding the call for abstracts to showcase the breadth and depth of AHRQ-sponsored work and highlight the many ways that
AHRQ research, data, and tools are contributing to measurable improvements in health care.

AHRQ and AcademyHealth are pleased to invite organizations and individuals, AHRQ grantees and contractors, currently receiving AHRQ funding or were funded no earlier than 2012 to submit original research, including implementation research and evaluation, for display as posters. Submissions are being accepted through June 3 and will be accepted in the following thematic areas:

- Improving Health Care Quality
- Making Health Care Safer
- Increasing Accessibility to Health Care
- Improving Health Care Affordability, Efficiency, and Cost Transparency
- Racial Ethnic Disparities; Research on Dissemination and Implementation Science

Priority will be given to abstracts that address the theme of the conference, demonstrate measurable improvement in policy or practice, rigorous methodological approach as well as show innovation in advancing the field.

Submit an abstract:

- User of AHRQ Tools – Non-Contractor/Grantee
- Current AHRQ Grantee or Contractor
- AHRQ Intramural Researchers

Abstract Submission Deadline: Wednesday, June 3 at 5:00 PM ET

(4) 2015 JSM Diversity Mentoring Program

The ASA Committee on Minorities in Statistics is now accepting applications for the 2015 JSM Diversity Mentoring Program. The program will match faculty and professional statisticians with students for a 4-day mentoring experience during the 2015 Joint Statistical Meetings in Seattle. The aims of the program are to increase underrepresented minority presence in the Statistics profession, among faculty, in government and in the private sector, and to provide support and enable success of early-career statisticians from underrepresented groups. Please share this information widely with underrepresented undergraduate and graduate students, postdocs and young professionals who may be interested.

The application deadline is June 15, 2015 for full consideration. The application form appears online at https://redcap.uchicago.edu/surveys/?s=xNR7j99XcL. A flyer is attached, and more information may be found on the website of the Committee on
Minorities in Statistics (http://community.amstat.org/cmis/events/dmp). For more information, contact Sydeaka Watson at sydeaka@uchicago.edu.

(5) 40th Summer Institute of Applied Statistics

The 40th Summer Institute of Applied Statistics (SIAS) will be given by Dr. Sudipto Banerjee from June 17th through June 19th 2015 on BYU campus in Provo, UT. Dr. Banerjee’s course will provide an introduction to hierarchical modeling and related statistical methods for analyzing spatially correlated data. MS and Ph.D. students, postdocs and researchers of all levels are invited to attend. Details are given below.

Title: Hierarchical Modeling and Analysis for Spatial Data

Abstract: This course provides an introduction to hierarchical modeling and related statistical methods for analyzing spatially correlated data. We will begin by outlining and providing illustrative examples of the three types of spatial data: point-level (geostatistical), areal (lattice), and spatial point patterns. We describe exploratory data analysis tools followed by traditional modeling approaches for point-referenced data. Subsequently, we introduce fully model-based approaches emphasizing upon Bayesian inference and computing. We will include hierarchical modeling for both univariate and multivariate spatial response data, a discussion of spatial point process models, and spatial modeling for large data sets (the so-called "big N problem"). Examples from environmental sciences and public health will be illustrated using R packages such as spBayes and also the OpenBUGS software.

Webpage: http://statistics.byu.edu/content/40th-annual-summer-institute-applied-statistics

(6) SAMSI Tutorial on Forensics Workshop

August 27-29, 2015

Deadline for applications is Monday July 6, 2015 To apply, go to http://www.samsi.info/fs-tutorials

This workshop will be held at SAMSI, 19 T.W. Alexander Dr., Research Triangle Park, NC.

Workshop Organizers: Clifford Spiegelman, Len Stefanski

Visit the SAMSI website for more information about the Forensics Opening Workshop (http://www.samsi.info/forensics-ow) and the 2015-16 Forensics Program (http://www.samsi.info/Forensics). For additional information, send e-mail to forensics@samsi.info