

Position Title: Distinguished Postdoctoral Scholar

Job ID: 522492

Location: Florida International University, Miami, Florida

Rank: Postdoctoral Associate

Application Deadline: January 8, 2021

Description:

The College of Arts, Science & Education (CASE) at Florida International University (FIU), Miami, FL (USA) invites applications for the 2021-2022 cohort to the CASE Distinguished Postdoctoral Scholars Program. This program is designed to support and enhance the professional development of promising early-career scholars towards potential placement in tenure-track positions. We invite applicants from scholars engaged in research in the sciences, humanities, and education. CASE is dedicated to ensuring a diverse, inclusive, and scholarly environment. We strongly encourage applications from individuals who are members of groups that historically have been underrepresented in the professoriate and/or who have demonstrated commitment to diversity and inclusion.

The CASE Postdoctoral Scholars will work with a mentor/scholar of their choice. As part of the application, a faculty mentor will submit a statement of support (see application materials below). While the primary focus for the Postdoctoral Scholars will be to conduct scholarly activities and research, they will also be expected to interact with graduate students, participate in outreach efforts, and submit competitive research proposals where appropriate. The Postdoctoral Scholars will have the opportunity to teach if desired and will also be able to interact with faculty from across the College, as well as additional FIU faculty and external partners affiliated with the university. Scholars will have the opportunity to be affiliated with CASE Preeminent Programs and Centers.

Appointments will have a term of one year starting in Fall 2021. A second-year renewal will be contingent upon accomplishments over the past year and require a recommendation from the mentor. In addition to salary, the scholar will receive benefits plus a discretionary fund of up to \$5,000/year for research and travel expenditures. Candidates will be selected based on demonstration of scholarly promise and potential future impact on their respective field of study. Candidates must have obtained a Ph.D. from their home institution prior to the start of the appointment, usually the beginning of the Fall semester (August 23, 2021).

Qualified candidates are encouraged to apply to Job Opening ID **522492** at facultycareers.fiu.edu and attach a cover letter, research plan, diversity statement, and mentor's statement of support in one document. The CV should be a separate document.

- One document containing:
 - Cover letter detailing the following:

- Introduction, including name of proposed faculty mentor, who would already have been notified by applicant.
 - Summary of proposed research or creative works, and its broader impact in the area of study.
 - Potential for cross-collaborative opportunities if applicable.
 - How this work will form the foundation for your long-term scholarly pursuits.
 - Career goals and how the Distinguished Postdoctoral Scholar position will help you achieve your professional goals and transition to an eventual faculty position.
- Diversity Statement (1 page, 11 pt. font minimum) providing evidence of commitment to and impact on diversity, equity, and inclusion. A guide is here: <https://go.fiu.edu/diversitystatement>.
 - Proposed research or creative plan (2 pages, 11 pt. font minimum) describing:
 - Proposed research statement/question or creative activity.
 - Approach of research or creative plan, including preliminary data where applicable.
 - Impact of work on area of study.
 - Research Methodology (if applicable) and proposed timeline.
 - Statement of support from Mentor using the wording below:
 - “I _____, agree to serve as Mentor for Postdoctoral candidate, _____. I am aware that this document will serve as a statement of support for this candidate and I may be asked to provide a letter of support in the near future if candidate is chosen as a finalist.”
 - Mentor will need to sign and date the statement which is to be uploaded as part of the initial application.
 - Finalists will be asked to provide a full letter of support from their mentor.
- A second document with your CV, including funding record such as external grants, travel/research grants, fellowships or scholarships. Indicate amount of funding.
 - The names and contact information of three professional references including their title, institution, email and phone number who will be contacted *as determined by the search committee*. Reference letters are not necessary unless requested.

To receive full consideration, applications and required materials should be received by Friday, Jan. 8, 2021.

Review will continue until positions are filled.