



Occupational Therapy &
Occupational Science
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Assistant Professor
Department of Occupational Therapy and Occupational Science
College of Health Professions
CHP-3716

Position: The College of Health Professions invites applications for a tenure-track, 9-month Assistant Professor position in the Department of Occupational Therapy and Occupational Science beginning August 2024.

Qualifications: Earned post-professional research doctoral degree by February 28, 2025. Licensed or eligible for licensure as an occupational therapist in the State of Maryland; teaching experience in occupational therapy or occupational science; and active research agenda with capacity for scholarly productivity and external funding. Excellent communication and interpersonal skills. Demonstrated awareness and clear articulation of strategies to foster an inclusive learning environment. Commitment to excellence in teaching, advising, scholarship, and service. Salary is commensurate with experience and rank; ABD candidates will be hired at the rank of instructor until doctoral degree is completed.

Responsibilities: Primary responsibilities include Teaching: Facilitate classroom and applied learning experiences for diverse graduate professional students in occupational therapy and occupational science, advise and mentor students, and direct student research at the doctoral level. Scholarship: Conduct and disseminate research and seek external funding to support focused area of inquiry. Service: Participate in active service to the department, college, university, community, and profession.

Vision and Opportunities: The vision of the Department of Occupational Therapy and Occupational Science is to be a national leader in the development of occupational therapy practitioners and occupational scientists who improve the health and occupational lives of diverse individuals, inclusive communities and populations. The department values innovative teaching, active learning experiences, community-engaged research and dynamic community partnerships. Towson University is situated within close proximity to nationally renowned medical centers and healthcare resources, with many opportunities to research and support best practices in occupational therapy. The College of Health Professions' Institute for Wellbeing offers extensive opportunities for research, community outreach and program evaluation, including the Occupational Therapy Center and the Hussman Center for Adults with Autism.

Towson University: Towson University (www.towson.edu) was founded in 1866, is recognized by U. S. News and World Reports as one of the top public universities in the Northeast and Mid-Atlantic regions, is Baltimore's largest university, and is the largest public, comprehensive institution in the University of Maryland System. TU enrolls almost 19,000 undergraduates and over 3,000 graduate students across six academic colleges (business, education, fine arts, health professions, liberal arts, science & mathematics), has over 865 full-time faculty, and offers more than 65 bachelor's, 45 master's, and 5 doctoral programs. Our centrally located campus sits on 330 rolling green acres and is 10 miles north of Baltimore, 45 miles north of Washington D.C., and 95 miles south of Philadelphia.

Application Process: Review of completed application begins immediately and continues until the position is filled. Interested applicants should submit a letter of application that addresses the posting details and qualifications. Applications must also include: (1) a curriculum vitae, (2) a teaching statement that includes descriptions of teaching philosophy, practical approaches, and a list of potential course offerings, and (3) a research statement that addresses current areas of expertise and future research agenda. The names and addresses (including email addresses) of three (3) references should be provided, including at least one who can speak directly to teaching quality and experience. ABD applicants should provide evidence of doctoral progress, such as date of final defense or letter from Committee Chair.

Application materials should be submitted electronically via the application link, preferably in a single PDF file. Questions should be directed to: Jennifer Wingrat, Chair of Faculty Search Committee; Department of Occupational Therapy & Occupational Science, Towson University (jwingrat@towson.edu, 410-704-2769). Please note that the search number for which you are applying is CHP-3716. A Criminal Background Investigation is required for the hired candidate and the results may impact employment.

The safety of our students, faculty, staff, and neighbors has been our top priority and the focus of every one of our decisions since the earliest days of the COVID-19 pandemic. Therefore, the University System of Maryland (USM) has *strongly encouraged* full COVID vaccination and up-to-date booster shots (when eligible) for all faculty, staff, and students at all schools in the USM as both a reasonable and necessary means of protecting our health and safety

Please be sure to visit the [Applicant Data Form](#) to complete a voluntary on-line applicant data form. The information you provide will inform the university's affirmative action plan and is for statistical-related purposes only. The information will not be used for any other purpose.

Towson University is an equal opportunity/affirmative action employer and has a strong institutional commitment to diversity, as detailed in "A More Inclusive TU: Advancing Equity and Diversity (2020 – 25)." TU is a national leader in inclusive excellence, the only institution in



Maryland with zero achievement gap, and 68% growth in minority enrollment over the past 5 years. We encourage applications from a variety of (dis)abilities, cultural, ethnic, race, sex, gender identity/expressions, national origins, ages, veteran status, color, religious, socio-economic, sexual orientations and belief backgrounds.

For the job description and to apply:

