Grace Abbott School of Social Work invites applications!

A vibrant, metropolitan university in Nebraska’s largest city, UNO has an enrollment of approximately 15,000 students. The Omaha metro has over 1 million people, and is a 1-hour drive from Lincoln, the state capitol. Nebraska is populated by 2 million people overall, with over 75% of the counties considered rural or frontier.

GASSW is the largest of six BSSW programs in Nebraska, and the largest of two MSW programs in Nebraska. Comprised of 25 full-time faculty and staff members, including professional academic advisors and practicum staff, GASSW is supported by a strong network of community practitioners who offer their expertise as adjunct faculty and practicum supervisors. GASSW enrolls more than 500 students at the pre-BSSW, BSSW, and MSW levels, many of whom are first generation.

GASSW has strong commitments and investments in research and teaching in several areas including global engagement, children and families, mental health practice, and gerontology. The school offers dual degrees with Public Administration, Public Health, and Criminology and Criminal Justice. GASSW is committed to meeting the needs of all students and recognizes the importance of serving its urban and rural communities by providing a social work education that is exceptional and accessible. Faculty, staff, and students are committed to diversity in teaching, research, learning, and community engagement.

Assistant Professor

The assistant professor will teach across graduate and undergraduate social work curricula, engage in research and scholarly activities, and provide departmental, university, and professional service, including collaborating with colleagues across campus/es and the community at large. Candidates must have an MSW or equivalent from a CSWE-accredited program, two years of post-MSW experience, and a doctoral degree in Social Work or a related field (ABD candidates may also be considered). Practice, research, or policy experience and interest in areas such as policy and advocacy, community practice, social justice and human rights, health and mental health, substance abuse, and populations at risk will be highly regarded. Experience working with diverse multicultural, vulnerable, or underserved groups is preferred. This is a tenure-track, full-time, benefits eligible position. Anticipated start date is August 15, 2022.

John E. Christensen Community Chair in Child Welfare (Associate or Full Professor)

The special focus of this newly endowed tenured faculty position will be child welfare education and administration within the context of social work practice to best serve children and families in Nebraska. The successful candidate will lead research and programmatic efforts as it relates to issues of child welfare and development by focusing on children, families, and community-based organizations that serve at-risk families and their children. Additionally, this position will promote research and scholarly activities that examine ways to capitalize on strengths and assets of human beings in ways that enhance education, families, and/or relationships with special emphasis on underserved cultures and people. This position also requires teaching social work courses at the undergraduate and/or graduate level. The successful candidate will hold a five-year renewable appointment in the GASSW. This is a full-time, benefits eligible position. Anticipated start date is August 15, 2022.

Questions about either position? Contact Dr. Nancy Kelley, Search Committee Chairperson njkelley@unomaha.edu

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