Tenure Track Assistant Professor Position

Trauma and Violence

As one of the nation’s top schools of social work, Boston University School of Social Work (BUSSW) is dedicated to the pursuit of inclusive excellence in education, research, and evidence-based practice to advance social, racial, gender, and economic justice and solve the most pressing societal problems of the 21st century. The BUSSW currently invites applications for a tenure-track position (assistant professor) beginning September 2021. We are seeking exceptional early career candidates with a commitment to research, scholarship, and teaching in the field of trauma and violence to join our faculty in the 2021-2022 academic year.

Applicants must have an earned doctorate in social work or a related discipline. We welcome scholarship reflecting a range of diverse, rigorous methodological approaches. To deepen our expertise in the area of trauma and violence, we seek applications from emerging scholars whose research focuses on:

- The micro-to-macro level causes and consequences of trauma and violence (community, youth, gun, or police violence; terrorism, hate crimes, public health crises, and natural disasters)
- The role of structural inequities, such as racism and heteropatriarchy, in the entrenchment and perpetuation of trauma and violence
- Innovative micro-to-macro-level solutions to trauma and violence such as mechanisms of violence interruption, anti-racism intervention and policy, culturally-responsive and community-level trauma care, restorative justice practices

The candidate must have the ability to teach both theory and practice courses in our Trauma & Violence specialization. This sequence, which was established in 2006, draws a large number of our on-campus students each year and is currently being extended to our on-line MSW program as well. We are dedicated to offering integrated and cutting edge training in this rapidly evolving field to work with and on behalf of diverse populations who are affected by wide ranging traumatic experiences, including those caused by structural racism, heteropatriarchy, and systemic violence.

The School and University recognize that building a culture that values and supports diversity, equity, and inclusion is critical to the vitality and impact of our field. We are especially eager to welcome a new colleague who supports our institutional commitment to ensuring BU is a community where all members can thrive. BUSSW offers significant opportunities for interdisciplinary, collaborative research across Boston University’s 16 colleges and schools (i.e., Public Health, Medicine, Education, Rehabilitation Sciences, Arts and Sciences).
The candidate will join a dynamic school with an extensive research portfolio with funding from NIH, DoD, SAMHSA, HRSA, IES, and private foundations, among others, and supportive alumni. The candidate will have the opportunity to work closely with researchers in the Center for Innovation in Social Work and Health (CISWH), an endowed research center, and the Center for Aging & Disability Education & Research (CADER).

The School of Social Work is located in the heart of BU’s Charles River Campus and is currently ranked #10 among graduate schools of social work by U.S. News & World Report. With over 900 MSW and PhD students from across the U.S. and abroad enrolled in our main campus, off-campus, or online programs, the BU School of Social Work is a vibrant and diverse community. For additional information on the Boston University School of Social Work please visit our website (www.bu.edu/ssw).

The successful candidate will have:

- a doctoral degree in social work or an MSW and a doctoral degree in a related field (e.g., sociology, psychology, public health, public policy),
- a developing research program in trauma and violence
- experience seeking external funding
- an emerging record of scholarly publications
- interest in teaching in the trauma and violence area

The application deadline is January 11, 2021 or until the position is filled. Early applications are strongly encouraged. Please submit a letter of application and current CV. In your letter of application, please outline your research, scholarship, and teaching skills and experience. In the letter, we welcome a description of how, as a teacher, researcher, scholar, and/or practitioner, you engage and sustain a commitment to diversity, equity, and inclusion and to working at the community level.

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