

**Brian Lamb School of Communication – Cluster Hire
Tenure Track Assistant Professor in
Health Communication and/or Public Relations – Public Health**

Search Date: Fall 2021

Date Available: August 2022

With a strong commitment to advancing diversity in research, thought and representation, the Brian Lamb School of Communication in the College of Liberal Arts at Purdue University invites applications for a tenure-track assistant professor in the area of health communication and/or public relations, as part of a cluster hiring initiative in Public Health, Health Policy, and Health Equity. A national leader in the graduation of Black and African American doctorates in the physical sciences, computer science, social science, and veterinary medicine over the past 5 years, Purdue's track record of supporting diversity dates back well over a century and is rooted in our land-grant mission. Today, the University has embarked upon a comprehensive 5-year, \$75 million plan to further enrich and diversify its faculty, staff, student body, as described [here](https://www.purdue.edu/provost/diversity/equity/index.html):

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This cluster, comprised of 14 new faculty members across four colleges—Health and Human Sciences, Liberal Arts, Libraries and Information Studies, and Pharmacy—is just the first wave of a larger, multi-year cluster hiring initiative totaling 40 FTE overall that aims to expand our research enterprise, add to the range of perspectives of our faculty, and promote a supportive community for all students. Alongside several other ongoing initiatives, this program evinces Purdue's strong commitment to further enhancing diversity, equity, and inclusion. For more information, a comprehensive plan may be found [here](https://www.purdue.edu/provost/diversity/equity/index.html)

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The appointments would start in August 2022 or a future date subject to negotiation.

Principal Duties: The successful candidate will have the potential to publish scholarship and teach both graduate and undergraduate courses in their specialized content areas. An ideal candidate might have expertise in one or more of the following areas: public health, health policy, health education/promotion, campaigns, health equity and social justice, or public relations. We envision the candidate establishing interdisciplinary connections across campus (e.g., Department of Public Health in the College of Health and Human Sciences, Regenstrief Center for Healthcare Engineering).

Qualifications: The candidate must have a PhD: can be in communication, health promotion, health education, public relations, or a related field. We are seeking a colleague who shows promise in publication, student mentorship, teaching, and the potential for extramural funding. Preference will be given to candidates who can contribute expertise to the Advanced Methods at Purdue (AMAP) (<https://www.purdue.edu/amap/>) program through research that utilizes cutting-edge social science research methods.

The College and University:

Purdue is a research-intensive, PhD-granting institution and one of the nation's leading public land-grant universities, with an enrollment of over 48,000. The College of Liberal Arts at Purdue University is embarking upon 40 faculty searches for positions to begin in Fall 2022. These positions will advance research within and across disciplines, and intersect with technology, data science, and engineering in relevant and important ways. These positions include teaching in our innovative, nationally-recognized Cornerstone Integrated Liberal Arts Program (<https://www.cla.purdue.edu/academic/cornerstone/index.html>) that educates students across the university.

Faculty members in the Brian Lamb School of Communication are actively involved with several interdisciplinary programs and centers on campus, including the Center for C-SPAN Scholarship & Engagement, the Integrated Data Science Initiative, and the many research centers at Discovery Park such as the Purdue Policy Research Institute.

Purdue University, the College of Liberal Arts, and the Brian Lamb School of Communication are committed to free and open inquiry in all matters. Candidates are encouraged to address in their cover letter how they are prepared to contribute to a climate that values free inquiry.

Application Procedure: Applications **must be submitted online** at

<https://career8.successfactors.com/sfcareer/jobreqcareer?jobId=16349&company=purdueuniv>

and include: 1) Curriculum Vitae, 2) Recent research paper or other writing sample, 3) Cover letter of interest that includes a statement describing how the applicant's research and teaching fit the principal duties of the position, 4) Names of at least four references, and 5) a Diversity and Inclusion statement described below.

Purdue University's Brian Lamb School of Communication is committed to advancing diversity in all areas of faculty effort, including discovery, instruction, and engagement. **Candidates should address at least one of these areas in a separate Diversity and Inclusion Statement**, indicating their past experiences, current interests or activities, and/or future goals to promote a climate that values diversity and inclusion.

Screening of applicants will begin November 1, 2021 and continue until the position is filled. A background check is required for employment in this position. For additional information, contact Search Committee Chair: Dr. Evan Perrault (eperraul@purdue.edu).

Purdue University is an EOE/AA employer. All individuals, including minorities, women, individuals with disabilities, and veterans are encouraged to apply.