## FACULTY POSITION HEALTH COMMUNICATION JOB# CMST19A (JPF01093)

## **UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, SANTA BARBARA**

The Department of Communication at the University of California, Santa Barbara invites applications for a tenure-track assistant professor position in the area of health communication. All applicants must complete all requirements for a Ph.D (or equivalent) in a Communication or related social science field except dissertation by the time of application. A Ph.D. (or equivalent) in communication or a related social scientific field is required by the time of appointment, with a desired appointment start date of July 1, 2022. Candidates should have strong methodological skills; a record of publishing theoretically-oriented, rigorous empirical research; and an appreciation of the broader implications of their work.

Health communication is a vibrant, interdisciplinary research domain that addresses critical areas of social concern, both regionally and around the globe. The Department seeks a scholar who demonstrates knowledge of classic and burgeoning theoretical perspectives central to the study of health communication. Research related to health decision-making and behavior, prevention of illness and early mortality, racial and social disparities, media influence, digital environments, international health, or community capacity building and impact is of particular interest. The successful candidate will complement one or more of the Department's core areas in interpersonal/intergroup, media and technology, and organizational communication. Candidates are expected to teach courses at the undergraduate and graduate levels and be active in professional and campus service.

The Department of Communication (and UCSB, more broadly) values interdisciplinary research collaboration across campus, as well as diversity, equity, and inclusion. UCSB is a designated Hispanic-Serving Institution and an Asian American and Native American Pacific Islander Serving Institution. Applicants with previous experience with communities of color or other minoritized communities are strongly encouraged to apply. UCSB is ranked in the top 10 public universities in the United States, and the Department of Communication is ranked 5th in worldwide comparisons. The University offers several programs to support incoming faculty, including housing assistance (https://www.housing.ucsb.edu/faculty-staff/faculty-housing) and various grant support mechanisms.

To receive full consideration, applicants must submit (a) a cover letter that highlights their qualifications, research agenda, and teaching capabilities; (b) a statement of contributions to diversity, addressing past and/or potential contributions to diversity through research, teaching, and service; (c) a curriculum vitae; (d) evidence of teaching effectiveness; and (e) three samples of published or completed research. Candidates should also arrange for 3 references to submit letters of recommendation on their behalf via the appropriate sections of the job search website: https://recruit.ap.ucsb.edu/JPF02093. Questions should be directed to the Search Committee Chairs, Dr. Robin Nabi (nabi@ucsb.edu) and Dr. Amy Gonzales (gonzales@comm.usb.edu). This position will remain open until filled. For primary consideration, all application materials must be received by December 3, 2021.

The University of California is an Equal Opportunity/Affirmative Action Employer. The Department is especially interested in candidates who can contribute to the diversity and excellence of the academic community through research, teaching, and service. All qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, national origin, disability status, protected veteran status, or any other characteristic protected by law. This institution offers benefits to spouses and to same-sex and different sex domestic partners. As a

condition of employment, you will be required to comply with the University of California SARS-CoV-2 (COVID-19) Vaccination Program Policy https://policy.ucop.edu/doc/5000695/SARS-CoV-2\_Covid-19. All Covered Individuals under the policy must provide proof of Full Vaccination or, if applicable, submit a request for Exception (based on Medical Exemption, Disability, and/or Religious Objection) or Deferral (based on pregnancy) no later than the applicable deadline. For new University of California employees, the applicable deadline is eight weeks after their first date of employment. (Capitalized terms in this paragraph are defined in the policy.)