Assistant Professor in Higher Education

The higher education concentration within the Rossier School of Education at the University of Southern California is seeking applicants for a tenure-track assistant professor position in Higher Education Policy and/or Administration.

We are seeking candidates in the process of developing a research agenda that has the potential of contributing to the field of higher education and informing policies and practices to improve access and outcomes for historically under-represented students. Our goal is to identify a colleague who can demonstrate the potential of developing an independent research agenda that has impact, is innovative both in research, policy, and practice, and that has the ability to transgress disciplinary boundaries with the goal of reducing inequalities in higher education.

The mission of the higher education concentration is to prepare higher education scholars who can improve and contribute to learning and advance knowledge geared towards reducing inequalities in urban settings. Faithful to the mission of the Rossier School of Education, the intent is to develop professionals who will conduct research that will lead to innovative, collaborative solutions to heighten educational outcomes locally, nationally and globally. The professors in the concentration are a racially and ethnically diverse group of tenured, research, and clinical faculty who conduct cutting-edge research in urban settings. The faculty conducts theoretically based research that uses rigorous qualitative and quantitative methods to address research questions that have been defined in collaboration with practitioners to create true partnerships in a number of different urban settings (i.e., high schools, community colleges, and four-year colleges). The higher education program is currently ranked #4 in Higher Education Administration programs by the US News and World Report.

The Rossier School of Education values and supports collaboration, and offers a strong mentorship program to support young scholars in the process of developing their research agendas and professional identities. The assistant professor will benefit from working with seasoned and nationally recognized scholars as well as top graduate students in the country.

The successful candidate will be expected to teach graduate students in our PhD, EdD, Global EdD, and Masters in Postsecondary Administration and Student Affairs program, and supervise graduate student research.

Applicants should send a letter of interest, CV, names and contact information for three references by email to: William G. Tierney, Associate Dean for Research and Faculty Affairs, c/o Michael Chung, Office of the Associate Dean for Faculty, Rossier School of Education, University of Southern California, WPH, Los Angeles, CA, 90089-0031, micaebc@rossier.usc.edu. Review of applications will begin October 15, 2014 and continue until the positions are filled.