



Assistant or Associate Professor of Epidemiology

COLLEGE OF HEALTH

Now, more than ever, is a time of transformation in health care education. The COVID pandemic and the unfolding realities of health disparities and racial injustice have challenged health care systems and universities to seek a new normal. At the Ball State University College of Health, we are rising to that opportunity. We graduate health professionals who are clinically knowledgeable, committed to advancing inclusive excellence, and ready to collaborate on interprofessional teams. We invite applications for **Assistant or Associate Professor in Nutrition and Health Science in Epidemiology** and to join us in preparing today's public health and health services workforce.

POSITION DESCRIPTION & QUALIFICATIONS We seek candidates with a doctorate in epidemiology or related discipline with good interpersonal communication skills and the ability to work cooperatively and congenially. Research areas of interest include but are not limited to chronic diseases, obesity, nutrition and precision nutrition, genetics, and infectious disease. Candidates should be skilled in teaching quantitative courses to students with a range of aptitude. Online teaching experience is desirable. Responsibilities will include developing curriculum, developing courses, teaching graduate and undergraduate students, developing and maintaining a research program, mentoring students in design, conduct, and analysis of epidemiological studies,, and service to the university and profession. Faculty will contribute to a graduate health sciences program with a specialization in biostatistics and epidemiology; experience in curriculum development is desirable. Faculty will also contribute to a health science concentration with the BS in Data Science in the College of Science and Humanities.

Lifelong learning at Ball State University extends educational engagement beyond the classroom and includes learning for professional development, personal enrichment, or other goals throughout one's lifetime. Faculty will be expected to participate in the department's, college's, and university's lifelong learning opportunities when available and may be assigned teaching responsibility in this area as part of their overall responsibilities.

Tenure line rank will be Assistant or Associate Professor. Assistant Professor candidates should have an earned doctorate or be ABD with all degree requirements to be completed by the time of appointment. Assistant Professor candidates should have teaching or teaching assistant experience and a beginning track record in scholarship with potential for funding. Associate Professor candidates should hold doctorates, have excellent teaching records, and an established research record. For either rank, we seek candidates able to contribute to interdisciplinary team science. Faculty are expected to work on campus to engage with students, colleagues, and community.

We seek candidates who will excite and motivate students of diverse backgrounds and contribute to a campus climate that supports equity, diversity, and inclusion. At Ball State University, inclusiveness is an enduring value and informs all efforts. Applicants should familiarize themselves with our [Inclusive Excellence Plan](#) to identify how you might contribute to these efforts. Salary and benefits are commensurate with credentials and experience. Position begins August 18, 2023.



THE DEPARTMENT OF NUTRITION AND HEALTH SCIENCES The Department houses accredited undergraduate majors in dietetics, health education and promotion, respiratory therapy and radiography, a minor in public health, graduate programs in Nutrition and Dietetics, Health Science, and an accredited Dietetic Internship. Our programs serve 280 degree-seeking students and are supported by 35 faculty. Faculty and student mentees have access to research laboratories in the Interprofessional Community Clinics with space devoted to assessment, sample collection, processing, storage and analytics. The Welcome Home suite is equipped with food preparation facilities, and feeding, resting and sample collection spaces. The Department offers general education courses with for students from other majors. Faculty facilitate interprofessional education with students from other programs.

THE COLLEGE OF HEALTH A vital health resource for Indiana in preparing health professionals, the [College of Health](#) is moving boldly forward in making interprofessional education, practice and research its paradigm across its disciplines. The College offers 32 academic programs in 7 units: Departments of Counseling Psychology, Social Psychology, and Counseling; Military Science; Nutrition and Health Science; Speech Pathology and Audiology; and Social Work plus the Schools of Nursing and Kinesiology. Our 224 faculty and staff serve nearly 3,000 students. We partner with regional communities for immersive learning and research. Our Health Professions Building was opened in 2019 with 165,000 square feet and is LEED Gold certified. Our [Interprofessional Community Clinics](#) offers a range of health and mental health services by students supervised by faculty as well as community health education and prevention services through the [Healthy Lifestyle Center](#). Other facilities include the Health and Physical Activity (HP) complex, Ball Gymnasium, and Lewellen Aquatic Center. Our faculty and students contribute to the evidence base for their respective disciplines. Our research footprint features research institutes, including the [Center for Peace and Conflict Studies](#) and [Human Performance Lab](#). We are committed to inclusive excellence in all we do and intend to contribute to an increasingly diverse health professional workforce to help decrease health care disparities.

ABOUT BALL STATE UNIVERSITY Ball State University is located in Muncie, Indiana, on an attractive campus 45 miles northeast of Indianapolis. Ball State enjoys a close relationship with the [City of Muncie](#), and many employees extol the virtues of living in this Midwestern college town of 70,000 people. More information about working at Ball State, and relocating to East Central Indiana, is found [on the University's website](#).

Institutionally, Ball State has established ambitious goals for our second century through our strategic plan, [Destination 2040: Our Flight Path](#):

- We pledge to provide a premier educational experience for every student.
- We pledge to partner with the community to improve the lives of our neighbors.
- We are dedicated to having a lifelong presence in the lives of our alumni.

And when we complement these promises with our commitment to our enduring values, we define that which makes our University and its culture distinctive.

Ball State engages students in educational, research, and creative endeavors that empower our graduates to have fulfilling careers and meaningful lives enriched by lifelong learning and service, while we enhance the economic, environmental, and social vitality of our community, our state, and our world. We invite you to be part of our community.

To Apply

Click here: <https://bsu.peopleadmin.com/postings/33962> to apply for this position. Submit a detailed CV with a cover letter explicating your qualifications, including teaching and research interests and experience, and a separate statement of your vision for inclusive excellence. Submit a list of 3-5 references; we will not contact them without notifying you. Applications will be reviewed immediately and continue until the position is filled. For best consideration, submit applications by November 14, 2022. For more information, contact Mengxi Zhang, PhD, Search Committee Chair at mzhang2@bsu.edu or Alyce D. Fly, PhD, Department Chair, Department of Nutrition and Health Science at adfly@bsu.edu.

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