

**Tenure-Track Assistant Professor Position in Tourism**  
**Department of Recreation, Sport and Tourism**  
**College of Applied Health Sciences**  
**University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign**

**Position:** The Department of Recreation, Sport and Tourism at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign invites applications for an **Assistant Professor, nine-month, tenure-track** position in the area of **Tourism**. We are seeking candidates with a strong, well-defined research agenda with the ability to teach core subjects in tourism. This position builds on the department's interdisciplinary strengths in community and organizational development, individual health and wellbeing, sustainable change, and inclusion. The start date for this position will be August 16, 2020.

The University of Illinois is an Equal Opportunity, Affirmative Action employer. Minorities, women, veterans and individuals with disabilities are encouraged to apply. For more information, visit <http://go.illinois.edu/EEO>.

**Responsibilities:** Responsibilities include conducting research in chosen area of expertise; building collaborative research partnerships with colleagues within the department, college, and various disciplines across campus; seeking external funding for research efforts; advising and directing student research, including M.S. theses and Ph.D. dissertations; instructing undergraduate and graduate courses; contributing to the Department's curriculum; serving on Department, College, and University committees; and engaging in professional and public service activities.

**Required Qualifications:** To qualify for the position, applicants must demonstrate the following minimum qualifications:

- Earned doctorate in Tourism or related field at the time of appointment. ABD will be considered but the hire will be contingent upon completing the degree prior to the position's start date.
- Evidence of publishing in leading peer-reviewed journals in the tourism field.
- Evidence of or potential to attract external funding.
- Ability to contribute to RST undergraduate and graduate curricula.
- Ability to contribute to the university through academic and public service/engagement.
- Preference will be given to applicants who make linkages among recreation, sport and tourism.

**The RST Department:** Faculty and staff of the Department of Recreation, Sport and Tourism (RST) at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign work to advance knowledge to foster healthy lifestyles, environmental stewardship and sustainability, effective management and marketing of organizations, and social and economic development of communities (see [www.rst.illinois.edu](http://www.rst.illinois.edu)). The RST department offers residential B.S., M.S., and Ph.D. programs, and online M.S. program, and houses the Office of Park and Recreation Resources with a mission to build partnerships for healthy communities.

**The AHS College:** The RST Department is part of the College of Applied Health Sciences (see <http://ahs.illinois.edu>) and affiliated with the Center for Health, Aging, and Disability (see <http://chad.illinois.edu>). The College houses the Division of Disability Resources and Educational

Services (<http://www.disability.illinois.edu>; DRES) which includes the U.S. Paralympic Training Site for Wheelchair Track and Road Racing. The College also houses the Center for Wounded Veterans in Higher Education (<http://woundedvetcenter.ahs.illinois.edu>) which opened in 2015 to provide support services for student veterans.

**The Community:** Urbana-Champaign (located 120 miles south of Chicago) combines natural Midwestern beauty with the cultural resources typically found in larger metropolitan areas. Downtown areas provide vibrant public spaces with unique dining and entertainment options and the local community offers a thriving arts and culture atmosphere as well as varsity and community sports. Outdoor enthusiasts can enjoy 80 parks within the two communities with easy access to three major forest preserves in Champaign County (see [www.visitchampaigncounty.org](http://www.visitchampaigncounty.org) for additional information).

**Salary:** Commensurate with qualifications and experience.

**Application Deadline:** For full consideration, please submit all required materials by **November 1, 2019**. Screening of candidates will continue until the position is filled.

**Application Procedure:** To apply, please create your candidate profile at <https://jobs.illinois.edu> and upload the following:

- Letter of application, including a statement of your research interests and teaching background
- Curriculum vitae
- List of three (3) references including their names, addresses, email addresses, and phone numbers to **position number 122891**

All requested information must be submitted for your application to be considered. For additional information regarding the position contact the Search Committee Chair, Dr. William Stewart at (217) 244-4532 or at [wstewart@illinois.edu](mailto:wstewart@illinois.edu).

The University of Illinois conducts criminal background checks on all job candidates upon acceptance of a contingent offer.