



## **Position Announcement - Postdoctoral Scholar NSF DRK12 Grant No. DRL-1316683**

A postdoctoral scholar position as part of the University of Missouri's Quality Elementary Science Teaching (QuEST) program, funded by the National Science Foundation, is available beginning July 1, 2015. The successful candidate will participate in the design, delivery, and research of a practicum-based professional development model for K6 teachers in science. The appointee will work with a cross-disciplinary team of scholars from science education, physics, and special education to study the impacts of this model on teacher and student learning and to disseminate project outcomes to a variety of stakeholders.

The team is looking for a colleague with experience in elementary teacher education, science education, and/or special education. The ideal candidate will have expertise in quantitative methods of data analysis. Applicants must have a doctorate in science education, the learning sciences, or a related field by time of appointment. Prospective scholars should have an emerging research agenda/interest in one or more of the following areas: professional development, teacher learning, elementary education, special education, and science education.

The postdoctoral scholar will become part of a vibrant research community that bridges departments in the Mizzou Colleges of Education and Arts & Sciences. MU is the oldest state university west of the Mississippi River and the largest of the four institutions in the University of Missouri System. In 1848, MU became the first public university in the nation to open a college specific to teacher preparation. MU has a student body of over 34,000, and is designated as a Carnegie Research University with very high research activity. MU is one of only six universities in the U.S. that is both the flagship and land grant institution housing medicine, veterinary medicine, and law on the same campus. As an AAU member institution since 1908, MU is recognized as one of the top research and educational institutions in the nation.

MU is located in Columbia, a metropolitan community of approximately 130,000 which has been rated by Money Magazine, Men's Journal and MSN.COM as one of the best places to live in the U.S. There are numerous opportunities for outdoor enthusiasts and Columbia is recognized as a bike-friendly community.

This is a fixed-term appointment funded for one year from date of hire, and is eligible for University benefits. The University offers a comprehensive benefits package, including medical, dental and vision plans, retirement, and educational fee discounts. For additional information on University benefits, please visit the Faculty & Staff Benefits website at <http://www.umsystem.edu/totalrewards/benefits>. Travel support for project-related activities is provided as well.

Interested candidates should submit a cover letter, CV, and names and contact information of three professional references to Dr. Deborah Hanuscin ([hanuscind@missouri.edu](mailto:hanuscind@missouri.edu)). Review of applications will begin immediately and continue until the position is filled.

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