

**Assistant Professor, Community Engagement/Service Learning
Department of Family Studies and Community Development
College of Liberal Arts
CLA-N-2462**

The Department of Family Studies and Community Development is accepting applications for a tenure-track faculty member at the rank of Assistant Professor beginning August 2011. Candidates should have earned a doctorate in Family Science/Family Studies, Social Work, Human Service or a related field. Applicants must possess a strong commitment to excellence in teaching and will be responsible for teaching a variety of courses including research methods in family studies, theories of family functioning, community services through service learning, family resources and services for children and youth. The successful candidate must show a potential for a productive scholarly program and demonstrate a willingness to engage in service to the department and University. Preference will be given to those applicants who are CFLE certified or eligible. Salary will be competitive at entry level.

The Department of Family Studies and Community Development is a growing department that provides academic preparation in family life education through a family and human service major. Students select one of four tracks to focus their studies: services for children and youth, human services, nonprofit leadership or introduction to child life. All students are eligible for provisional certification in Family Life Education upon completion of the major. The program emphasizes civic engagement and requires service-learning experiences in several courses. In the past five years the program has grown from 206 to 315 undergraduate majors and from 33 to 147 minors. In addition, we offer graduate coursework leading to a master's degree in Child Life, Administration, and Family Collaboration and a post baccalaureate certificate in Family-Professional Collaboration. A second major in Family Science is in the final stages of university approval.

Towson University

Founded in 1866, today Towson University is recognized by *U.S. News & World Report* as one of the top public universities in the Northeast and Mid-Atlantic regions. Towson is nationally recognized for its programs in the liberal arts and sciences, business, education, communications, health sciences, and the fine and performing arts. The University places a strong emphasis on service learning and civic engagement through such activities as internships, practica, clinical placements, course assignments and student events. As the Baltimore area's largest university and Maryland's Metropolitan University, Towson articulates its research and scholarship mission through partnerships that link the University to the economic, educational and cultural life of the state of Maryland and the mid-Atlantic region. Towson enrolls approximately 20,000 undergraduate and graduate students in 62 undergraduate majors, 39 master's programs and four doctoral programs. Located on a rolling 328 acres, the striking campus is eight miles north of downtown Baltimore and 45 miles from Washington, D.C. The campus and its surrounding cities provide an excellent environment for teaching and supporting the academic pursuits of the 728 full-time faculty who work here.

Application Process

Review of applicants will begin on April 25, 2011 and will be open until filled. Electronic submissions are welcome and encouraged. Applicants should send a letter of interest stating area of scholarship, fields of specialization, philosophy of teaching; scholarship and service, curriculum vitae; and three letters of recommendation to:

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Upon submitting your Curriculum Vitae to indicate you are an applicant for this position, please be sure to visit <http://www.towson.edu/odeo/applicantdata.asp> to complete a voluntary on-line applicant data form. The information you provide will inform the university's affirmative action plan and is for statistical purposes only and shall not be used to illegally discriminate for or against anyone.

Towson University is an equal opportunity/affirmative action employer and has a strong institutional commitment to diversity. Women, minorities, persons with disabilities, and veterans are encouraged to apply. This position is contingent on the availability of funds at the time of hire.