

**Assistant Professor  
Division of Social Work  
West Virginia University**

**FACULTY POSITION** The West Virginia University Division of Social Work invites nominations and applications for a tenure-track position at the rank of Assistant Professor beginning fall semester 2012 to join our team of committed and progressive social work educators and researchers. We are seeking candidates with a solid practice background and the expertise and desire to develop a strong teaching and research profile in one or more of the following areas: behavioral health service or direct practice with individuals, families or groups.

The division offers a generalist BSW program and an MSW Program with two practice tracks (Direct Practice and Community Organization/Social Administration). As part of our commitment to serve the West Virginia community, the MSW is offered on campus in Morgantown and on a part-time basis at several extended campus locations throughout the state. Faculty responsibilities include teaching, research, and service to the university, the state, and the profession. The successful candidate will be expected to teach across the curriculum but with an emphasis on such courses as: Psychopathology and Social Work Practice, Advanced Practice with Individuals, Advanced Practice with Groups and Families, and Group Work. Faculty residence will be at West Virginia University in Morgantown, WV, with the expectation that the faculty member will also travel to teach in other locations in accord with MSW program needs.

Essential qualifications include: A Master of Social Work (MSW) degree from a CSWE accredited program; an earned doctorate in social work or a related field; demonstrated experience in contributing to BSW or MSW education; effective written and verbal communication skills; ability to work collaboratively with various constituencies throughout the community and the university; and a minimum of two years practice experience. Post graduate social work license or license eligibility are required. Potential to develop a productive research agenda is required. A commitment to social work in rural environments and the potential for securing external funding will be considered assets.

This position will begin August 16, 2012. Salary is competitive and commensurate with qualifications and experience.

West Virginia University, located in Morgantown, has a student body of 29,000. Morgantown, recently selected as the best small city in the east, is located in the scenic foothills of the Appalachian Mountains. WVU is 75 miles south of Pittsburgh and 200 miles west of Washington, DC. West Virginia University is a doctoral, Research High-Activity, land-grant institution. Additional information about the university and community may be found at [www.wvu.edu](http://www.wvu.edu).

The Division of Social Work has approximately 500 students in its BSW and MSW programs, including its graduate off-campus locations. The Division has a national reputation for its work with small towns and rural communities. Both the BSW and MSW degree programs are fully accredited by the Council on Social Work Education.

Please e-mail a letter of application, curriculum vitae, and the names, addresses and phone numbers of three references to Dr. Christopher Plein, Associate Dean and Interim Chair at [Chris.Plein@mail.wvu.edu](mailto:Chris.Plein@mail.wvu.edu). Review of applications will begin December 15, 2011 and will continue until the position is filled. West Virginia University is an equal opportunity and affirmative action employer and the recipient of an NSF ADVANCE award for gender equity. Minorities and women are especially encouraged to apply.