

Joint Position Announcement:

The Learning Research and Development Center (LRDC) in conjunction with departments in the Faculty of Arts and Sciences and the School of Education is recruiting for five (5) tenure stream faculty positions beginning with the Fall Term 2001, subject to administrative approval. At least two of these are at open rank and three are at the Assistant Professorial level. Teaching responsibilities and tenure options will reside in the appropriate school or department such as Education, Psychology, and Computer Science. All appointments will be joint appointments between the appropriate department and LRDC.

Founded in 1965, LRDC is a research institution at the University of Pittsburgh whose mission is the study of learning and instruction broadly conceived. Our interests vary widely with respect to the content and method of research: from brain imaging to reading instruction, from mathematics learning to museum learning, from computer tutoring to models of learning. Our research community also varies with respect to the purposes of their research: from theoretical development to the improvement of practice. LRDC exemplifies the idea that a strong multidisciplinary research base can provide a foundation for effective practices in a variety of teaching and learning settings and that the intricacies and complexities of real world situations provide important stimuli for the development of significant theory and research.

We are recruiting individuals whose research addresses issues of learning and/or instruction in three broad areas:

- Language and literacy, including reading, writing, and second language learning,
- Learning, motivation, and instruction in school subject matter areas, including, among others, mathematics, science, and history.
- Artificial intelligence and technology, including computer tutoring, natural language processing, and collaboration.

Successful candidates will have a demonstrated background of excellence in research and will be able to show ways in which their research relates to broader and more complex social arenas. LRDC is an institution with representatives from many disciplinary traditions, including psychology, education, computer science, and linguistics; successful candidates will have an interest in participating in the multi-disciplinary research goals of LRDC.

To apply send a letter of application, current resume, and representative papers. Also, please have three letters of recommendation sent (individuals currently holding faculty positions may instead provide the names of three individuals prepared to write letters of recommendation). We expect to begin reviewing applications and inviting candidates in for visits in early fall. To insure full consideration, application should be received by November 1, although we will continue to review applications through February 15. The University of Pittsburgh is an Affirmative Action, Equal Opportunity Employer. Women and members of minority groups that are under-represented in academia are especially encouraged to apply.

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Note: These positions are also listed in departmental advertisements announcing positions recruited jointly with LRDC. A reply to either announcement will receive equal attention.