The College of Education at the University of Illinois at Chicago (UIC), ranked in the top 50 Colleges of Education in the nation, is seeking applications to fill the position of Department Chair for Curriculum and Instruction beginning in the 2017-2018 academic year. Candidates should be at the Associate or Full Professor rank.

UIC’s Department of Curriculum and Instruction is the vibrant home to 30 faculty members and 500 students (undergraduate and graduate) who are engaged in critical scholarship, practice, and praxis addressing the most pressing issues in education, both locally and globally. The department has a long and celebrated history of producing scholars, educators, and leaders whose work has shaped the educational research community, nationally and internationally, and the practices and contexts of schooling in Chicago Public Schools, the nation’s third largest school district. The department has produced notable scholarship in areas including curriculum studies; the teaching and learning of mathematics, history, literacies and science; bilingual education; language ideology; political economy; teacher learning and development; and the history of education, among others.

Through its three doctoral programs (Curriculum Studies; Literacy, Language and Culture; Mathematics and Science Education) three master’s programs (Educational Studies; Language, Literacies and Learning; Science Education), and one undergraduate program (Urban Elementary Education), the Curriculum and Instruction Department prepares educators, researchers, and advocates to work effectively in urban schools, institutions of higher education, and other educational and community contexts. The faculty actively engages the most pressing problems facing urban communities through our work at the intersection of teaching, research, policy, and practice, and we are committed to changing the landscape of education inside and outside of schools and wherever learning takes place. Our scholarship and teaching is grounded in a commitment to social, racial, and economic justice.

We seek a Chair who is committed to working with our dynamic and productive faculty in collectively charting the direction for the Department moving forward, including, but not limited to, nurturing the Department’s research productivity; supporting an optimal educational experience for undergraduate and graduate students; and continuing to develop our premier urban elementary education program. We seek candidates whose scholarship is rooted in the histories, contexts, and/or practices of teaching and learning. Applicants who bridge disciplinary boundaries and engage in critical analysis of urban education are particularly encouraged to apply. Candidates should have a vigorous program of research, a record of scholarly publications, evidence of strong teaching, and experience and skills in mentoring, administrative leadership and organizational development. As part of the leadership role in the Department, the Chair will also be expected to teach, mentor students, and supervise doctoral dissertations.

Please submit application materials electronically no later than December 2, 2016, at: https://jobs.uic.edu/job-board/job-details?jobID=72485

These materials should include:
(a) a letter of application addressing fit with expectations for the position;
(b) a curriculum vitae,
(c) copies of two recent publications, and
(d) the names of ,and contact information for, at least three references.

For inquiries about this position contact Dr. Josh Radinsky, Search Committee Chair, at joshuar@uic.edu.

The University of Illinois at Chicago is an Equal Opportunity, Affirmative Action employer. Minorities, women, veterans and individuals with disabilities are encouraged to apply. The University of Illinois conducts background checks on all job candidates upon acceptance of contingent offer of employment. Background checks will be performed in compliance with the Fair Credit Reporting Act.