

**Faculty of Health**

**Associate Professor of Public Health**

**School of Medicine and Public Health**

**Position No. 1041**

**General Information**

The University of Newcastle is situated in the Hunter and Central Coast regions of New South Wales and is one of Australia's leading universities - an exceptional achiever in research with an international reputation for expertise in innovative approaches to teaching and learning. The School of Medicine and Public Health is the largest of four Schools within the Faculty of Health. The School has 38 disciplines ranging from clinical sub-specialities to public health disciplines such as Indigenous Health, Biostatistics, Epidemiology, Health Behaviour Science, Clinical Pharmacology/Clinical Toxicology and Clinical Ethics and Health Law. The School has a Public Health Education and Research Program (PHERP) Grant renewed from 2006 and is a participating member of the Biostatistics Collaboration of Australia (BCA).

The School is responsible for teaching and assessment of subjects in undergraduate and coursework postgraduate programs offered by the Faculty, supervision of research higher degree students in the areas of its expertise and conducting research in the above disciplines. Researchers in the School are leaders of 5 of the University's 10 Priority Research Centres; all academic staff of the School are encouraged to be members of research teams of the Hunter Medical Research Institute (HMRI). The School's major undergraduate program is the Bachelor of Medicine degree which has an international reputation for innovation in medical education. The Medical Program is undertaking a major expansion in partnership with the University of New England.

We are seeking to appoint an outstanding academic to the position of Associate Professor of Public Health to provide leadership in research and teaching in Public Health disciplines. The appointee will join the School's multidisciplinary research and teaching teams and will be based at the David Maddison Building in the city precinct of the University at the Centre for Clinical Epidemiology and Biostatistics (CCEB). The School, through its disciplines and the CCEB, provides the courses for international research-oriented postgraduate programs for health professionals, including Clinical Epidemiology, Biostatistics, Pharmaco-epidemiology and a number of Public Health specialties such as Health Promotion, Communicable Disease Epidemiology, Genetic and Molecular Epidemiology, Clinical Toxicology, Stroke Management, Drug & Alcohol and Nutritional Epidemiology.

You will be the program convenor for a new program, the Master of Public Health, to commence in 2009. Academic staff are expected to undertake duties appropriate to their level of appointment including teaching and administrative responsibilities in the postgraduate programs, to be active researchers and to have involvement in undergraduate teaching programs. For appointment at Level D (Associate Professor) you will require substantial experience in collaborative research and teaching as well as high level administration.

The position is available on a full-time, continuing basis. Women are particularly encouraged to apply as they are under-represented at senior academic levels in the Faculty.

## Position Description

ROLE:	ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR OF PUBLIC HEALTH
ACADEMIC LEVEL:	D
FACULTY:	FACULTY OF HEALTH
SCHOOL:	SCHOOL OF MEDICINE AND PUBLIC HEALTH
IMMEDIATE SUPERVISOR:	PROFESSOR OF BIOSTATISTICS, SCHOOL OF MEDICINE AND PUBLIC HEALTH, FACULTY OF HEALTH

The successful applicant will be recognised as a leading authority in Public Health and will provide academic leadership within the MPH program. You will also assist the Deputy Head of School (Public Health) in delivering a range of administrative duties and contribute to the decision-making process.

Main responsibilities include, but are not limited to:

### *Teaching*

- Participate in the teaching program of the School, particularly the post graduate MPH program;
- Coordinate the MPH program to commence in 2009.

### *Research:*

- Establish collaborative research program in public health;
- Capacity to attract external funding;
- Undertake research in international health.

### *Service:*

- Assisting the School in delivering a range of administrative functions;
- High level input into the decision making processes of the School and the opportunity to serve on relevant School and University committees

## Selection Criteria

1. Postgraduate degree in Public Health;
2. Completed PhD or equivalent performance in health-related research;
3. Demonstrated ability in teaching and assessment of Public Health for postgraduate students;
4. Demonstrated experience in international health;
5. Demonstrated ability in distance learning education;
6. Demonstrated track record in obtaining health research funds and in research publications
7. Demonstrated track record in supervision of research higher degree students;
8. Highly developed communication and management skills;

It is desirable that the successful applicant also possess the following:

9. Experience in Indigenous health;
10. Demonstrated ability to initiate and complete collaborative research;
11. Experience in Public Health Practice and Policy.

The [Position Classification Standard](#) for Associate Professor, Level D should be viewed before applying.

## Conditions and Benefits

Academic Level D - \$101,840 to \$112,193 per annum

Compulsory contributory superannuation is a condition of employment plus generous employer contribution of 17%.

A Clinical or Market loading is also available to the suitably qualified appointee.

A range of flexible salary packaging options is also available.

Further information on benefits and conditions of employment is available at the following link:  
<http://www.newcastle.edu.au/service/employment/conditions.html>

## Further Information

For additional information on the position contact the Professor of Biostatistics, Cate D'Este on (02) 49138289.

## Related Links

- [School of Medicine and Public Health webpage.](#)
- [University of Newcastle Annual Report](#)

## Closing Date

Applications close on Sunday 28 September 2008.

**Note:** Your application **must** include a statement addressing the selection criteria.

All applications **must** include the Application for Employment Cover Sheet ([PDF](#) or [MS Word](#)) including an email and/or fax address for each nominated referee.

Please read the important information contained via the [How to apply](#) link before submitting your application.

## Submitting Your Application

DO NOT send your application to the Faculty or Division in which the position is located.

### Internal Applicants

*Current University of Newcastle staff members MUST use [HRonline](#) to lodge their application.*

- Log into [HRonline](#)
- Click on University Job Vacancies
- Click Apply for a Vacancy and select the position you wish to apply for

### External Applicants

Please forward your application **by email** to: [employment@newcastle.edu.au](mailto:employment@newcastle.edu.au) quoting the position number and position title in the Subject field.

**Note:** Applications and attachments must be in Microsoft Word (Version 6.0 or later); Rich Text Format, or PDF.

If you do not have access to email you may mail or fax your application.

Mailed or Delivered applications should be stapled or clipped securely at the top left corner with the Application Cover Sheet ([PDF](#) or [MS Word](#)) on top.

DO NOT use binders, folders or plastic sleeves as your application may need to be photocopied.

Deliver or Mail one (1) copy of your application, marked "Confidential" and indicating the Position number to:

Human Resource Services Team  
Level 1, The Chancellery  
University of Newcastle  
CALLAGHAN NSW 2308

Australia

Alternatively, fax one (1) copy of your application to

Confidential Fax on (+61 2) 4921 5285.

Applicants are responsible for ensuring the receipt of faxed applications.

You may telephone (+61 2) 4921 5266 during business hours (AEST) to confirm receipt of your Fax transmission.

*The University of Newcastle values [equity and diversity](#).*