



**Department of Obstetrics
and Gynecology**
UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN
SCHOOL OF MEDICINE AND PUBLIC HEALTH

The University of Wisconsin's Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology seeks a tenured or advanced tenure-track faculty member who researches birth equity.

The [Division of Reproductive and Population Health](#) ("Pop Health") in the [Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology](#) at the University of Wisconsin School of Medicine and Public Health is hiring an associate, full, or advanced assistant professor to join our faculty. A research-based, non-clinical division, Pop Health includes social scientists and public health scholars, affiliated clinical faculty from other divisions, and social scientists from across campus who collaborate on research and teaching.

To complement our current faculty, we wish to recruit a researcher with expertise in birthing people's autonomy and equity. The scholar should take a critical approach to pregnancy and birth outcomes and could focus on equity/inequity using a variety of axes, including (but not limited to):

- Racism and racial identity
- Ethnicity
- Indigeneity
- Sexual identity
- Gender identity
- Immigration status
- and/or rurality

While we are most interested in scholarship based in the US context, we would also consider researchers with a more global focus on birth equity or obstetric violence.

Candidate and Position Expectations

Candidates should have a PhD or other doctorate (ScD, PsyD, MD, DNP, etc.) in public health, public policy, health services research, medicine, nursing, sociology, demography, social work, anthropology, or related discipline.

The expectation is that candidates will either already have well-established research programs or show outstanding potential for securing external funding for their developing programs. The role would involve mentoring of and collaboration with ob-gyn junior faculty and scientists, residents, fellows, and other trainees. Some teaching of medical students and/or graduate students is anticipated; however, the position entails no undergraduate teaching.

The ideal candidate will be able to assume leadership of the Pop Health Division within 1-3 years of starting the position.

About Us

The University of Wisconsin-Madison has unique resources that could greatly enhance the right candidate's research, teaching, career, and job satisfaction. We have:

- A faculty cluster in [Reproductive Equity](#)
- The [Reproductive Equity Action \(REAL\) Lab](#), which is helping the UW School of Medicine and Public Health become a preeminent institution for medical education in reproductive equity
- The CDC-funded [Prevention Research Center](#), whose mission is to improve the health of women, infants, and families
- The [Collaborative for Reproductive Equity](#), a research initiative that focuses primarily on abortion and contraception and includes a thriving interdisciplinary network of investigators and trainees
- The NIH-funded [Health Disparities Research Scholars](#) postdoctoral program, with which several Pop Health faculty are closely involved
- The [Center for Demography and Ecology](#), a population research center with a growing research area focused on gender and reproductive health

We anticipate many opportunities for collaboration both within the department and across the institution.

How to Apply

Please apply here: <https://jobs.wisc.edu/jobs/birth-equity-faculty-member-madison-wisconsin-united-states>.

For priority consideration, please submit your application by **October 15**.

We are especially keen to hire candidates whose lived experiences and/or community affiliations give them strong insights into reproductive inequities. Regardless of candidate background, the division is committed to principles of health equity, including the centering of underserved communities in our work.

If you have questions about the position, please contact Division Director Dr. Jenny Higgins at jenny.a.higgins@wisc.edu.

Interested in the position but aren't sure you qualify? Ask! Many excellent candidates, especially those from underrepresented backgrounds, talk themselves out of a position when they would be terrific for the job. Drop Dr. Higgins a note to check whether you should apply.

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