

**Position Summary:** The Department of Sociology at Michigan State University (MSU) seeks candidates for a tenure-system Assistant Professor position in sociology of health. This position is part of a batch hire of faculty within the College of Social Science to address future challenges of coastal environments. The 9-month academic year position begins on August 16, 2020. We seek candidates to investigate physical and/or mental health dynamics in coastal communities, in a variety of coastal areas and environments around the world, with preference given to applicants who either have or are willing to develop a research program in the Great Lakes region. Successful candidates will examine drivers of health outcomes and/or disparities over time and/or across geographic areas. Such drivers may include, but are not limited to, changes in physical environment (e.g., erosion, pollution, and natural disasters), built infrastructure (e.g., sanitation, drinking water access, and housing), and/or socioeconomic and psychological factors (e.g., education, occupation, health care, family, and neighborhood).

**Minimum Requirements:** Successful candidates must have:

- a PhD in Sociology or closely related field by the date of hire;
- graduate training and emerging expertise in sociology of health;
- a promising research agenda, commitment to rigorous and ethical scholarship, and potential for (and/or record of) securing extramural funding;
- demonstrated potential for (and/or evidence of) high-quality instruction and mentoring at the undergraduate and graduate levels; and
- demonstrated potential for (and/or evidence of) effective service to the institution, leadership in the discipline, and/or engagement with broader publics.

**Desired Qualifications:** Preferred candidates will have:

- expertise and/or research experience in the health dynamics of coastal communities; and
- scholarly interests that connect with current departmental strengths of environmental sociology and/or sociology of migration.

**Required Application Materials:** Applications must be submitted to the MSU Applicant Page at <https://careers.msu.edu>. Complete applications must include (1) a cover letter; (2) a curriculum vitae; (3) a 1-page research statement; (4) a 1-page teaching statement; (5) a diversity and inclusion statement (a statement addressing how past/and or potential contributions to diversity and inclusion will advance MSU's commitment to inclusive excellence); and (6) the names and contact information for three professional references.

**Special Instructions:** Review of applications will begin on October 2, 2019 and will continue until the position is filled. Questions regarding this position should be directed to Dr. Hui Liu (Search Committee Chair) at [liuhu@msu.edu](mailto:liuhu@msu.edu).