Faculty Position and Director of the
Center for Health and Risk Communication

Department of Advertising and Public Relations
Grady College of Journalism and Mass Communication
The University of Georgia

The Grady College of Journalism and Mass Communication invites applications for the position of Director of the Center for Health and Risk Communication, a tenure-track position in the Department of Advertising and Public Relations, to begin August 2012. The Center for Health and Risk Communication is newly housed in the Grady College. It is multi-disciplinary, bringing together researchers from the College and units across the University, including: business, communication studies, education, pharmacy, public health, psychology, medicine, and sociology.

Academic Rank/Salary
Full or Associate Professor. Appointment will be commensurate with qualifications and experience. Salary competitive.

Responsibilities
We are seeking candidates that are nationally recognized authorities in health or risk communication, have an established track record of research excellence, and have the ability to lead and mentor researchers and attract competitive external grant funding. This person will direct the operations of the Center for Health and Risk Communication. This will include serving as a liaison between the Center and affiliate units on campus, and fostering ties with public and private funders.

The home department for this position is Advertising and Public Relations. In addition to teaching graduate courses in health or risk communication, the person assuming this position will also have undergraduate teaching responsibilities in either advertising or public relations. The ideal candidate will have a thorough grounding in theory, research and industry practices; and the ability to teach courses in health or risk communication and either advertising or public relations, (e.g., health and risk media, crisis management, advertising media planning, advertising or public relations management, campaign planning, social marketing).

Qualifications
Ph.D. in communication or related field required. Evidence or promise of sustained research and grant productivity is required. Ability to mentor and direct graduate students also required. Prior management experience is highly desirable.

Application Timeline
Screening of applications will begin January 9, 2012 and continue until the position is filled.

To Apply
To apply for the position, submit a cover letter, three references and curriculum vitae to (electronic submission preferred):

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Learn more about the Department of Advertising and Public Relations and the Grady College at www.grady.uga.edu. The University of Georgia (www.uga.edu) is a land grant/sea institution located 70 miles from Atlanta and is in close proximity to major media outlets and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. Athens is consistently named one of the best college towns and is known for its music scene (www.visitathensuga.com). Georgia is well known for its quality of life offering an array of both outdoor and urban activities (www.georgia.gov).

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