

Job Description

Department of Special Education
Vanderbilt University's Peabody College
Faculty Position in the Area of Visual Impairments

The Department of Special Education at Peabody College of Vanderbilt University invites applications for an open rank (assistant, associate, or full professor) faculty position in visual impairments. Our vision program has had a significant impact on the field for more than 60 years. We are seeking a strong scholar who can provide new leadership to the program as we re-envision its future and expand its reach in the areas of research and training. The successful candidate will have an important program of research related to education or rehabilitation in visual impairments, as well as a clear vision for how our program can continue its deep influence locally and nationally. Responsibilities include carrying out an influential program of research, providing leadership to the graduate program in visual impairments, collaborating with a full-time professor of the practice in visual impairments, teaching courses, advising master's and doctoral students, securing external funding, collaborating with schools and agencies that serve diverse students; and providing service to the university and profession. We envision this position being located within the low-incidence program area within the Department. A doctorate in special education, education, rehabilitation, or related field is required.

For more than a decade, the Department of Special Education at Vanderbilt University has been the top-ranked graduate program in the nation. Our large faculty conducts research spanning early childhood through adulthood and addressing a broad range of issues of importance in the lives of people with disabilities and their families. Affiliation is also possible with the Vanderbilt Kennedy Center for Research on Human Development (<http://kc.vanderbilt.edu>), which is highly regarded for its interdisciplinary research, training, and community partnerships.

Candidates should submit an application letter, curriculum vitae, three samples of scholarly writing, and contact information for three people from whom letters of reference may be requested. Screening of applications will begin March 30th and continue until the position is filled. Questions regarding this position should be directed to Erik Carter, Search Chair at erik.carter@vanderbilt.edu. Employment will also require a background clearance check.

Applications materials should be submitted to: Visual Impairments Faculty Search, Department of Special Education, PMB 228 Peabody College, Vanderbilt University, Nashville, TN 37203 or can be emailed to visionsearch@vanderbilt.edu.

Vanderbilt University has a student body of 12,000 undergraduate, graduate, and professional students. One quarter of our students are from racially/ethnically diverse backgrounds, including more than 1,000 international students from 84 countries. Vanderbilt values individuals who can share different points of view; strives to create an atmosphere where faculty of diverse races and ethnicities receive support from other faculty; and aspires to become a leader among its peer institutions in making meaningful and lasting progress in responding to the needs and concerns of all underrepresented groups. Vanderbilt University is an Affirmative Action/Equal Opportunity Employer. People of color, women, and individuals with disabilities are encouraged to apply.