



Faculty Position
Assistant or Associate Professor
Tenure-Track (Research, Non-Clinical)

McGovern Medical School seeks applicants for a faculty position in the The John P. McGovern, M.D. Center for Humanities and Ethics (McGovern Center). Rank and compensation are based on qualifications and experience.

The McGovern Center was established in September 2004 as an integral part of The University of Texas Health Science Center at Houston (UTHealth Houston). While housed in McGovern Medical School, the McGovern Center works closely with all six professional schools of UTHealth Houston—schools of nursing, medicine, dentistry, public health, biomedical sciences, and biomedical informatics. Educationally, the McGovern Center addresses the dehumanizing forces in contemporary healthcare by studying and teaching forms of care and research that are ethically-sound, spiritually-informed, and culturally-sensitive. The McGovern Center’s scholarship focuses on contexts, experiences, power, meanings, and ethics in medicine and healthcare using the methods of the humanities and the interpretive social sciences.

UTHealth Houston is situated in the Texas Medical Center, the world’s largest medical center, and adjacent to safe, walkable neighborhoods like Rice Village (home of Rice University). Houston is the nation’s fourth largest city, with ample intellectual, cultural, artistic, and gastronomic attractions.

Minimum Qualifications

For the rank of Assistant Professor:

- Ph.D. in bioethics or a medical humanities-related discipline
- Experience teaching or description of pedagogical training and teaching philosophy
- Evidence of ability to publish in academic venues

For the rank of Associate Professor:

- Ph.D. in bioethics or a medical humanities-related discipline
- Record of excellence in teaching medical/health humanities or ethics (or a related area)
- Record of excellent scholarship as demonstrated in journal articles and/or books
- Evidence of peer esteem
- Evidence of significant professional service

The specific area of expertise is open, but we are looking for someone who can complement our faculty and who can offer a broad humanistic perspective on life in medicine and the health professions. Fields of interest include, but are not limited to, bioethics (cultural, clinical, or empirical), medical humanities, health humanities, literature and medicine, history of medicine, social sciences and medicine (especially medical anthropology or medical sociology), and disability studies.

Position Key Accountabilities and Duties

The successful candidate will devote the majority of their time to McGovern Center activities, including:

- (1) research, publishing, and scholarship;
- (2) teaching in medical school and residency programs, as well as in other schools in the health science center;
- (3) leading various McGovern Center activities and programs;
- (4) serving on institutional committees; and
- (5) engaging in various community programs in the Houston area.

Interpersonal Attributes

Excellent written and oral communications skills. Ability to handle sensitive situations and communications. Excellent listening and comprehension skills. Dependable and reliable. Courteous and respectful.

The anticipated start date for this position is September 1, 2023.



<https://go.uth.edu/mcgovern-center-faculty2023>

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For more information about the McGovern Center, see: www.themcgoverncenter.org

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