



UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS URBANA-CHAMPAIGN

School of Information Sciences

Specialized Faculty (Open Rank, Non-Tenure Track) in Information Sciences

The School of Information Sciences at the University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign seeks to hire outstanding specialized faculty members to join our dynamic and collegial School of Information Sciences (iSchool). We invite applications for two 100% full-time non-tenure track, open rank, specialized faculty positions with the iSchool.

The iSchool welcomes scholars with experience in policy and governance, dynamics and complexity in social sciences, computational modeling in social sciences and humanities, organizational behavior, or librarianship. Candidates with backgrounds in cognitive science, business, library and information science, sociology, anthropology, history, political science, and psychology are especially encouraged to apply. We seek applicants who will thrive in an interdisciplinary academic unit at one of the nation's premier land-grant research universities. Successful candidates must exhibit the potential to conduct world-class research, teach effectively in undergraduate, professional, and doctoral programs, and contribute to our mission of service and community engagement.

At the iSchool at Illinois, we employ methods from across the disciplines to grapple with society's most urgent challenges related to information, its practices, and technologies. Our faculty members are highly interdisciplinary, with backgrounds in information science, philosophy, history, psychology, political science, cognitive science, engineering, computer science, library science, literature, medieval studies, and sociology. The iSchool has four active research centers and an ever-growing number of labs in which faculty and students work together on their cutting-edge research projects: <https://ischool.illinois.edu/research>.

The iSchool at Illinois is home to the top-ranked professional master's program in library and information science, which offers an award-winning online enrollment option, as well as joint degrees with History, Law, African Studies, and Russian, East European, and Eurasian Studies. We also offer professional master's programs in information management and bioinformatics, a certificate of advanced study, a licensure program in school librarianship, as well as an exciting STEM-designated undergraduate degree that reimagines a liberal arts education for a global information society. The iSchool's doctoral program, established in 1948, is the oldest of its kind. More information can be found at: <http://ischool.illinois.edu/>.

SPECIFIC DUTIES, RESPONSIBILITIES, AND MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS

Teaching Professors deliver an effective and engaging classroom experience, publish on topics related to information research and scholarship, and engage in related pedagogical activities to make both an instructional impact and a curricular impact within and beyond the department. Candidates must possess a Ph.D. or equivalent in a relevant field by the time of appointment. Preferred qualifications include a minimum of one year teaching experience equivalent to 2-3 courses.

Lecturers deliver an effective and engaging classroom experience and support the department through service responsibilities. Candidates must have at least a master's degree or equivalent degree and some professional experience. Preferred qualifications include a minimum of one year teaching experience equivalent to 2-3 courses.

Teaching loads are dependent on job title. The Assistant/Associate/Full Teaching Professor course load is 4 courses per year. The Lecturer and Senior Lecturer course load is 6 courses per year.

SALARY AND APPOINTMENT INFORMATION



This 100%-time academic specialized faculty position appointed on a 9-month service basis. The expected start date is August 16, 2026.

The budgeted salary range for these positions is \$80,000-\$90,000 at the Lecturer level, \$90,000 - \$100,000 at the Senior Lecturer level, \$100,000-\$105,000 at the Teaching Assistant Professor level, \$105,000-\$110,000 at the Associate Teaching Professor level, \$110,000-\$115,000 at the Teaching Professor level. Salary is commensurate with qualifications and experience, while also considering internal equity.

To apply, please submit a cover letter of about two pages that discusses your interest in and suitability for this position, a CV, a teaching statement of about two pages each, and the contact information for three references. Letters of recommendation will only be solicited for candidates who are invited to campus for an interview. Applications received by March 3, 2026 will receive full consideration. Interviews may occur on a rolling basis. Review of applications will continue until suitable candidates are identified. Applications must be submitted through the University of Illinois Job Board online at <https://jobs.illinois.edu>.

For further information regarding this search, please contact the chair of the committee, Brandon Batzloff <batzloff@illinois.edu>, with "search" in the subject line. Questions about the application process should be directed to the iSchool's Office of Human Resources <ischool-hr@illinois.edu> or 217-333-2137.

Founded in 1867 as Illinois's flagship public university, the University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign empowers a global community of students, scholars, and alumni to change the world through bold, innovative research and transformative education. With a land-grant heritage rooted in progress, Illinois faculty drive paradigm-shifting discoveries, mentor future leaders, and collaborate across 15 colleges and instructional units and more than 20 research institutes. The university's legacy of excellence includes **24 Nobel Prizes and 29 Pulitzer Prizes** awarded to its faculty and alumni, \$755 million in sponsored research funding, and 94 academic programs ranked in the top 20 nationally. Illinois offers the resources, recognition, and reach to accelerate your career — along with a highly competitive benefits portfolio. Discover how the Illinois Value Proposition fosters professional longevity, personal fulfillment, and a deep sense of purpose in every role.

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The University of Illinois must comply with applicable federal export control laws and regulations and, as such, reserves the right to employ restricted party screening procedures for applicants.

Artificial Intelligence (AI) tools may be used in some portions of the candidate review process for this position; however, all employment decisions will be made by a person.

This position is intended to be [eligible for benefits](#). This includes Health, Dental, Vision, Life Insurance, a Retirement Plan, Paid time Off, and Tuition waivers for employees and dependents.

The University of Illinois System is an equal opportunity employer, including but not limited to disability and/or veteran status, and complies with all applicable state and federal employment mandates. Please visit [Required Employment Notices and Posters](#) to view our non-discrimination statement and find additional information about required background checks, sexual harassment/misconduct disclosures, and employment eligibility review through [E-Verify](#).

Applicants with disabilities are encouraged to apply and may request a reasonable accommodation under the Americans with Disabilities Act (2008) to complete the application and/or interview process. Accommodations may also be requested on the



basis of pregnancy, childbirth, and related conditions, or religion. Requests may be submitted through the [reasonable accommodation portal](#), or by contacting the Office for Access & Equity at 217-333-0885, option #1, or accessibility@illinois.edu.