

# NOTICE OF AVAILABLE POSITION

## ASSISTANT/ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR IN KINESIOLOGY & PHYSICAL EDUCATION

**DEPARTMENT:** The Department of Kinesiology and Physical Education at Northern Illinois University has a highly regarded regional and national reputation for the quality of its graduates and its programs have been highly commended by external accreditation agencies. Its faculty are nationally and internationally recognized for their research and professional service. As a consequence of this highly regarded past and present reputation the department is experiencing significant student growth in its undergraduate and graduate programs. This presents a potentially rewarding professional opportunity for highly qualified, enthusiastic and motivated individuals to join this well established and highly recognized department as it continues to grow and further enhance its regional, national, and international reputation.

**RESPONSIBILITIES:** Teach undergraduate/graduate courses with a particular focus on measurement and evaluation and/or motor development and learning. The successful candidate will also be expected to have an understanding of physical education teaching methods and be versed in the teaching of a range of sports skills. Teaching responsibilities may include courses in the areas of fitness concepts and fitness education. Supervise students and engage in scholarly activity in an area that complements existing department interests, research foci, and programs. Willingness to participate in innovative department/college curricular and programmatic development, including but not limited to community outreach activities.

**REQUIRED QUALIFICATIONS:** Earned doctorate in kinesiology or physical education or related field relevant to required area of specialization by time of appointment (ABD considered with established defense date); evidence of effective teaching in area of specialization, preferably at the college level and/or in the public schools system; experience in student teacher supervision, evidence of capability to engage in and publish research and present at professional meetings; demonstrated knowledge and awareness of professional developments related to specialization.

**PREFERRED QUALIFICATIONS:** Experience in grant writing and obtaining external funding; experience in directing student research; evidence of experience in working with students from multi-cultural backgrounds; skill in utilizing instructional and computer technology.

**SALARY:** Competitive and dependent upon qualifications and experience.

**EFFECTIVE DATE OF EMPLOYMENT:** August 16, 2010. Nine-month appointment on a tenure track. Summer school employment is available dependent upon program needs and personnel considerations.

**DEPARTMENT, UNIVERSITY, AND COMMUNITY DESCRIPTION:** The department has about 40 faculty and instructors serving about 600 undergraduate students pursuing Bachelor of Science in Education (B.S. Ed) and Bachelor of Science (B.S.) degrees. The B.S. Ed degree provides opportunities for teacher certification in physical education. The B.S. degree has emphases in athletic training and exercise science. Twenty-one faculty members comprise the graduate faculty, which graduates 30-40 students per year. The department supports the equivalent of 25 full-time graduate assistantships. Masters programs include an M.S. in Sport Management and a Master of Science in Education with specializations in adapted physical education, exercise physiology/fitness leadership, pedagogy and curriculum development, and exercise and sport psychology.

Northern Illinois University is a comprehensive research university offering programs from the baccalaureate through the doctorate. Colleges include business, education, engineering and engineering technology, law, liberal arts and sciences, health and human sciences, and visual and performing arts. On-campus enrollment is approximately 25,000 students. The university also offers more than 200 extension courses each semester to students in communities throughout northern Illinois.

The main campus is located in DeKalb, 65 miles west of Chicago's "Loop" and 40 miles southeast of Rockford with three education centers in Hoffman Estates, Rockford, and Naperville. DeKalb/Sycamore, with a population of about 50,000, is a modern paradox, a rural/urban community. It is simultaneously recognized for its manufacturing and rich farmlands. The site of the first manufacture of barbed wire and the development of hybrid seed corn are evidence of its diversified history. The blend of industry and agriculture, coupled with the cultural and recreational facilities of the university and supplemented by easy access to Chicago and Rockford, provide an enjoyable environment in which to live.

**APPLICATION INFORMATION:** Submit a letter of application including a statement of teaching philosophy and research interests, current resume, names and contact information for three referees, and graduate transcripts (unofficial copies are acceptable for initial review; official copies required to confirm appointment) to: Chair, Kinesiology & Physical Education Search Committee, Department of Kinesiology and Physical Education, Northern Illinois University, DeKalb, IL 60115. Electronic submissions are welcome (email to: [schaplin@niu.edu](mailto:schaplin@niu.edu)). For additional information, see <http://www.cedu.niu.edu/knpe> or call Paul Carpenter (815) 753 8284. Review of complete applications will begin December 1<sup>st</sup>, 2009; however, applications will be accepted until the position is filled. Northern Illinois University is an Equal Opportunity Employer/Affirmative Action Employer and recognizes dual career issues. Women and minorities are encouraged to apply.