

## University of Texas at El Paso College of Science Department of Biological Sciences Assistant Professor-Infectious Diseases

**POSITION DESCRIPTION:** The Department of Biological Sciences (<u>https://www.utep.edu/science/biology/about/welcome.html</u>) at the University of Texas at El Paso (UTEP) seeks to fill a tenure-track position at the Assistant Professor level in infectious diseases. The anticipated starting date is fall 2022.

Applicants should possess the ability to develop an extramurally funded research program in infectious diseases and teach and mentor at both the undergraduate and graduate levels (M.S. and Ph.D.). Research resources include state-of-the-art molecular and high-throughput screening core facilities, as well as a BSL-3 laboratory and ABSL3 animal facilities. The current areas of expertise within the department and university include virology, bacteriology, parasitology, immunology, vector borne infectious, vaccine development and drug discovery. Our goal is to foster and support research on any area of infectious diseases including the vector/tick-borne diseases of public health importance in the U.S.-Mexico border area. However, we encourage outstanding candidates in all areas of infectious diseases to apply. The successful candidate will have access to our state-of-the-art Border Biomedical Research Center Core Facilities (https://www.utep.edu/science/bbrc/) located in the building.

**ABOUT UTEP:** The University of Texas at El Paso is America's leading Hispanic-serving university. Located at the westernmost tip of Texas, where three states and two countries converge along the Rio Grande, UTEP is a public research university that transforms lives. Ninety-four percent of UTEP's nearly 25,000 students are minorities, and many are the first in their families to go to college. At UTEP, students have access to 168 bachelor's, master's and doctoral degree programs at the only open-access, top tier Research University in America. Located in the second-most educated city in Texas, UTEP is recognized as one of the best research universities in the country for connecting students with the community around them.

**REQUIRED QUALIFICATIONS:** A Ph.D. degree, postdoctoral research experience and a strong record of research accomplishments. Researchers requiring BSL-3 facilities are especially encouraged to apply. Preference will be given to candidates who are interested in research related to drug-resistant and/or emerging infectious agents.

**APPLICATION PROCEDURES**: Review of applications will begin immediately and will continue until the position is filled. Interested candidates must submit a curriculum vitae, three letters of recommendation, and brief statements on research interests, teaching, and diversity. For questions in regards to the position, please contact the Chair of the Infectious Disease Search Committee, Dr. Siddhartha Das at <u>sdas@utep.edu</u>.

Please visit <u>https://www.utep.edu/employment</u> to submit your online application.

Hiring decisions are based upon budget approval.

In keeping with its Access and Excellence mission, The University of Texas at El Paso is committed to an open, diverse, and inclusive learning and working environment that honors the talents, respects the differences, and nurtures the growth and development of all. We seek to attract faculty and staff who share our commitment.

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