Assistant/Associate Professor of Exercise Physiology Department of Nutrition and Health Sciences College of Education and Human Sciences University of Nebraska-Lincoln

Position Description

The Department of Nutrition and Health Sciences (NHS) in the College of Education and Human Sciences (CEHS) at the University of Nebraska–Lincoln (UNL) is seeking applications for a nine-month, tenure-track Assistant or Associate Professor with expertise in exercise physiology and exercise testing. The position carries an appointment of 50% research, 45% teaching, and 5% service.

The successful candidate will be expected to establish or maintain a nationally recognized human research program in exercise physiology, strength and conditioning, or performance assessment. Responsibilities include:

- Conducting and publishing high-quality research in peer-reviewed journals.
- Developing collaborative research with faculty at UNL and/or other institutions.
- Presenting research findings at national or international scientific meetings and through invited presentations.
- Teaching undergraduate and graduate courses in areas of specialization.
- Advising and mentoring undergraduate and graduate students, including serving on graduate committees.
- Integrating research and teaching within the exercise physiology and exercise testing curriculum.

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Department and University Environment

The Department of Nutrition and Health Sciences provides a collaborative and research-active environment, serving approximately 1,000 undergraduate students and 60 graduate students. Faculty research is supported by NIH, USDA/NIFA, foundations, and industry partners, in partnership with the Office of Research and Innovation (https://research.unl.edu/).

The successful candidate will have access to shared laboratories equipped for assessing aerobic, anaerobic, and resistance-training responses in humans. UNL offers a competitive compensation and benefits package and is responsive to the needs of dual-career couples. Additional information for dual-career couples is available at https://careers.unl.edu/dual-career-program/.

Minimum Required Qualifications

- Earned doctorate (Ph.D. or equivalent) in Exercise Physiology, Kinesiology, or a closely related field at the time of appointment.
- Demonstrated ability to conduct independent research in exercise physiology, exercise science, or a closely related field with potential (Assistant Professor) or established (Associate Professor) record of peer-reviewed publications.
- Evidence of potential (Assistant Professor) or documented (Associate Professor) effectiveness in teaching undergraduate and/or graduate courses in exercise physiology or related areas.

Preferred Qualifications

- Expertise in aerobic exercise responses to complement existing departmental strengths in resistance training.
- Evidence of the ability to work both independently and collaboratively within interdisciplinary research teams.
- Teaching experience in exercise testing and exercise physiology.
- Evidence of pursuing external funding (government or industry) to support research and student involvement.
- Demonstrated excellence in mentoring Master's and Doctoral students.

Application Process

Review of applications will begin January 16, 2026, and will continue until the position is filled or the search is closed. Initial interviews will be conducted virtually (e.g., Zoom), with on-campus interviews for selected finalists. The anticipated start date is Fall 2026 (beginning of the 2026–2027 academic year). To view details and apply, visit http://employment.unl.edu, requisition F_250085. Applicants will be required to upload the following documents:

- 1. A letter of interest that describes your qualifications for the job and anticipated contributions.
- 2. Curriculum vitae.
- 3. Contact information for three professional references to include name, title, mailing address, phone number, and email address.
- 4. A research statement that describes your experience, philosophy, and approach to research (up to three pages).
- 5. A statement that describes your experience, philosophy, and approach to teaching and mentoring (up to one page).

Please combine the statements (items 4 and 5) into a single document for upload. For questions about the position, contact Dr. Shinya Takahashi by email: stakahashi3@unl.edu.

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