Assistant, Associate, or Full Professor - Finance, Insurance & Real Estate

Mission or Goal of Unit:

The Department of Finance, Insurance and Real Estate (FIRE) in the School of Business at Virginia Commonwealth University (VCU) offers undergraduate majors in Finance, Real Estate, Finance with a concentration in Risk Management and Insurance, Financial Technology with a concentration in Actuarial Science, and Financial Technology with a concentration in Financial Engineering. It also offers minors in actuarial science, real estate, and risk management and insurance. The Department offers a Master of Science concentration in Finance, a Master of Science concentration in Real Estate, a Graduate Certificate in Real Estate, and a Master of Decision Analytics concentration in Financial Analytics. Additionally, FIRE faculty teach in the MBA, Executive MBA, and online MBA programs. They also have opportunities to be involved in the Ph.D. in Business. The Department has 13 full-time faculty who are active researchers and engaged teachers. In addition, it has two full-time directors who run the Kornblau Real Estate program, the Risk Management and Insurance Program, and the Virginia Credit Union Financial Success Center.


Our programs develop skills that result in highly sought-after graduates. In fact, many national corporations have identified VCU’s School of Business as a target school for recruitment. We are housed in a state-of-the-art facility, Snead Hall. The School of Business is fully accredited by the AACSB.

At VCU, we exceed through learning, research, creativity, service and discovery — the hallmarks of the VCU experience. As a premier, urban, public research university nationally recognized as one of the best employers for diversity, VCU is a great place to work. It’s a place of opportunity, where your success is supported and your career can thrive.

Since its founding in 1937, the VCU School of Business has built strong ties with the Richmond community and beyond. Offering 13 bachelor’s and 19 master’s degrees, as well as three Ph.D. concentrations and seven certificate programs, we welcome nearly 4,000 students each year.

Forbes ranks Virginia first as the Best Place to Do Business. Richmond, as the capital of Virginia, is located in the heart of the east coast economic corridor with more than half of the U.S. population within a 750-mile radius. It is home to Fortune 1000 companies and small start-ups.

Chief Purpose of this position:
The FIRE Department at Virginia Commonwealth University, in Richmond, Virginia, invites applicants for a full-time tenure-track/tenured faculty position at any rank (Assistant, Associate, or Full Professor) to start in August 2023. The ideal candidate will have a demonstrated record or the potential for high-quality scholarly research and excellent teaching at the undergraduate and graduate levels in risk management and insurance, financial technology, financial engineering, blockchain, real estate or corporate social responsibility.

The successful candidate must conduct scholarly research where the output of such research is published in high-caliber peer-reviewed journals, advise students, and provide service to the department, school, university, and academic community. For tenured positions, applicants must have an established national research reputation and be committed to scholarly research and teaching of the highest quality.

**Position Responsibilities:**

We are open to candidates at any rank with an interest in Fin Tech, blockchain, corporate social responsibility, real estate, insurance and risk management. The position offers a competitive salary and an attractive benefits package.

**Required Qualifications:**

Applicants must possess or be a candidate for a PhD in a discipline related to the department’s programs. ABD candidates are expected to successfully defend their dissertation by the official start date. Applicants must have demonstrated experience working in and fostering a diverse faculty, staff, and student environment, or a commitment to do so as a faculty member at VCU.

**Preferred Qualifications:**

An established research agenda, clear potential for external funding, and potential for scholarship or creative expression to complement and expand existing expertise in the department.

**Application Process:**

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Candidates should upload their application with: a cover letter, curriculum vitae, other optional supporting documents (e.g., copies of research papers, research and teaching statements, and course evaluations), and the names and e-mail addresses of three references. Reference letters will be requested by the search committee only for the short-listed candidates. Only complete applications that meet the required qualifications will be considered. Review of applications will start immediately, and will continue until filled. For additional information, please contact the chair of the faculty search committee, Brent C. Smith, Ph.D., CoStar Chair in Real Estate Analytics.