Public Administration Ph.D. Fellowship in Health Policy and Management

The University of Nebraska at Omaha (UNO) School of Public Administration seeks applicants for a Ph.D. student fellowship focusing on Health Policy and Management. UNO’s program ranks 33 out of 259 U.S. graduate schools in public affairs (U.S. News and World Report, 2013). UNO is located in Omaha, Nebraska, which has an affordable cost of living, many amenities, and a diverse and vibrant health care community, featuring two academic health centers, the University of Nebraska Medical Center and Creighton University Medical Center.

The School of Public Administration boasts a supportive and collaborative academic culture. UNO’s Ph.D. in Public Administration focuses on the role of public and nonprofit organizations in a democratic and diverse society. The faculty seeks applicants who wish to enter the academic job market or to contribute to knowledge development in public administration as a senior practitioner. A small number of applicants are admitted each year for the fall semester, with a particular emphasis on admitting full-time students.

The Health Policy and Management Fellowship offers three years of graduate assistant funding (dependent upon program requirements). Research with faculty and community partners on health policy and management related topics includes:

- Government oversight and regulation of private insurers and hospital systems
- The health care safety net and underserved populations
- Health workforce supply, configuration, distribution, and specialization
- Food and health, including food safety regulation, food policy, food insecurity, and food deserts

Additional important career-enhancing opportunities available to our Ph.D. students include: faculty mentoring, undergraduate teaching (in-class and on-line), travel funding, and research publication assistance. Key faculty members in this area include:

- Dr. Bryce Hoflund, Assistant Professor; Research interests include health care regulation and policy, food safety regulation and policy, network organizations, and network management and leadership.

- Dr. Carl F. Ameringer, Professor and Blue Cross Blue Shield of Nebraska Chair of Health Care Administration and Policy; Research interests include the health care professions, health care delivery systems, and comparative health policy.

Applications are due March 15, 2015. For more information about the program and to apply, please visit our web page: http://www.pubadphd.unomaha.edu/ or contact Dr. Meagan Van Gelder at mvangelder@unomaha.edu