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Department Neuroscience

Institution University of California Berkeley
Berkeley, California

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Application Deadline 10/31/2025

Position Start Date Available immediately

Job Categories Assistant Professor

Academic Field(s) Biology - Molecular
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Position overview

Position title: Assistant Professor

Salary range: The current salary range for this position is \$80,800 - \$125,500 (9-month academic year salary); however, off-scale salary and other components of pay, which would yield compensation that is higher than this range, are offered to meet competitive conditions.

Anticipated start: 7/1/2026

Application Window

Open date: August 14, 2025

Next review date: Friday, Oct 31, 2025 at 11:59pm (Pacific Time)

Apply by this date to ensure full consideration by the committee.

Final date: Friday, Oct 31, 2025 at 11:59pm (Pacific Time)

Applications will continue to be accepted until this date.

Position description

The Department of Neuroscience at the University of California, Berkeley (UCB) invites applications for a tenure-track faculty position in Molecular, Cellular, and Developmental Neuroscience, at the Assistant Professor level. The expected start date is July 1, 2026.

We seek applicants studying fundamental questions within the areas of molecular, cellular and/or developmental neuroscience. Example areas of interest include, but are not limited to, molecular programs underlying nervous system development; cell biology of neurons or glia; mechanisms of transcriptional and translational control; signaling pathways governing neuronal connectivity; synapse structure, function, and plasticity; neurotransmitter and neuropeptide signaling; and neuron-glia-immune interactions. Both basic- and disease-related research are welcome, as are a variety of model systems.

Neuroscience faculty at the assistant rank demonstrate excellence, originality, and productivity in research, the strong potential to obtain external funding, a capacity for excellence in teaching and mentoring of undergraduates, graduate students, and postdocs, and a commitment to service

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consistent with Berkeley's principles of community. Applicants are encouraged to visit (<https://neuroscience.berkeley.edu/>) to learn more about the Department and our mission.

The Department is committed to addressing the family needs of faculty, including dual career couples and single parents. We are also interested in candidates who have had non-traditional career paths or who have taken time off for family reasons, or who have achieved excellence in careers outside academia. For information about potential relocation to Berkeley, or career needs of accompanying partners and spouses, please visit: (<http://ofew.berkeley.edu/new-faculty>)

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Qualifications

Basic qualifications (required at time of application)

PhD, MD or equivalent international degree, or enrolled in PhD, MD, or equivalent international degree-granting program at the time of application.

Preferred qualifications

A PhD and/or MD or equivalent international degree in Neuroscience or a related field. At least two years postdoctoral research experience. Evidence of originality, productivity, and impact in research. Potential to teach and mentor students at all levels, with an ability to support the success of all students through an inclusive curriculum, classroom environment, and pedagogy.

Application Requirements

Document requirements

- Curriculum Vitae - Your most recently updated C.V.
- Complete list of publications - This can include preprint citations.
- A brief summary of major research accomplishments - This statement should be approximately 300 words. It should not name the candidate's institution, PhD, or postdoc mentors.
- Research Statement - In approximately 1,500 words with intermixed figures, please discuss your research accomplishments and proposed plans for future research. This can include, for example, discussion of your publications, awards, and inclusive research practices that promote the excellence of your research.
- Teaching and Mentoring Statement - In approximately 500 words, please discuss prior teaching experience, teaching approach, and future teaching interests. This can include, for example,

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specific efforts and accomplishments, and future plans to support the success of all students through inclusive curriculum, classroom environment, and pedagogy. Please also discuss your mentoring experiences and approach. This can include, for example, past efforts and future plans to support the success of all students, and to foster an inclusive research environment that removes barriers and promotes equitable access and advancement of the research program.

- Service Statement - In approximately 500 words, please discuss specific prior and proposed academic, professional and/or public service activities. This can include, for example, participating in professional or scientific associations, serving on committees that advance department, campus or discipline goals, and conducting outreach activities that can remove barriers and increase participation of academics in your field.
- Significant Publication #1 - In addition to the publication itself, provide a statement that begins with the manuscript title and author list and then summarizes, in approximately 300 words, the significance of the selected publication.
- Significant Publication #2 - In addition to the publication itself, provide a statement that begins with the manuscript title and author list and then summarizes, in approximately 300 words, the significance of the selected publication.
- Significant Publication #3 - In addition to the publication itself, provide a statement that begins with the manuscript title and author list and then summarizes, in approximately 300 words, the significance of the selected publication.
- Authorization to Release Information Form - A reference check will be completed only if you are selected as the candidate to whom the hiring unit would like to extend a formal offer. Download, complete, sign, and upload the [Authorization to Release Information form](#).

Reference requirements

- 3-5 letters of reference required

It is preferred that letters of reference be received by referees no later than the final date to apply.

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Help contact: neuroscienceap@berkeley.edu

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, which reflect our passion for critical inquiry, debate, discovery and innovation, and our deep commitment to contributing to a better world. Every member of the UC Berkeley community has a role in sustaining a safe, caring and humane environment in which these values can thrive.

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