Full Professor and Perella Chair in Finance

The Perella Department of Finance, which is part of Lehigh University’s College of Business and Economics (CBE), is now accepting applications for a tenured Full Professor of Finance who will also hold the Perella Chair. This chair recognizes funding support from Mr. Joseph Perella, a Wall Street luminary. The position includes competitive salary and research support. The chair will be awarded for a five-year period, beginning Fall 2019, and is renewable upon evidence of sound productivity.

Candidates for the position must have a distinguished record of research in Finance with publications in the top Finance journals. The candidate hired for the position will be expected to provide a leadership role in the research endeavors of the department, to mentor other faculty, assist in development of academic programs, and to strengthen ongoing relationships with the business community. Given the research emphasis, the teaching load has been set at 9 credit hours per academic year (i.e., a 3-course teaching load for the academic year) subject to productivity and CBE policies on teaching loads. For this position, the minimum requirement is a Ph.D. degree. This position is expected to complement ongoing developments within the department, the college, and the university.

Our flagship undergraduate program in finance is highly rated and is the largest major in terms of graduating seniors at commencement. The department also benefits from a significant presence on Wall Street through the many alumni that work there. The aim of the department is to further increase the visibility of our finance programs and the college. The chosen candidate is expected to contribute significantly to this effort through research, teaching, and service. The department is concurrently also recruiting for an assistant professor position. More information about the department is available here: https://cbe.lehigh.edu/academics/undergraduate/finance

For 150 years, Lehigh University has combined outstanding academic and learning opportunities with leadership in fostering innovative research. The institution is among the nation’s most selective, highly ranked private research universities. Founded in 1865, Lehigh University has about 5,000 undergraduates and 2,000 graduate students. Approximately 1700 undergraduates, 300 graduate students, and 84 full time faculty members comprise the College of Business & Economics. In addition to offerings at the undergraduate level, an MBA, Masters in Management, M.S. programs in Accounting and Information Analysis, Economics, and Analytical Finance, and an economics-based Ph.D. program are also offered. Joint programs exist between business and engineering both at the undergraduate and graduate levels. Our programs have been recognized in various rankings. Please see https://cbe.lehigh.edu/ for additional details. Importantly, as a university, Lehigh is ranked 46th among national research universities in the 2018 US News & World Report survey, and placed in the most competitive category in both Peterson’s Guide and Barron’s Profile of American Colleges.

Lehigh University is located in Bethlehem, PA (pop. 75,000) which is in the center of the Lehigh Valley (pop. 820,000). A convenient location between New York City and Philadelphia provides access to many corporations and financial institutions. The Lehigh Valley International Airport is 15 minutes from
campus. The Lehigh Valley is economically vibrant and provides the best of urban, suburban, and rural living (low cost of living, open space, and a rich array of cultural activities in the area and nearby).

Lehigh University is a 2010 recipient of an NSF ADVANCE Institutional Transformation Grant and has leveraged this grant to diversify and strengthen the professoriate in all disciplines. Read more at http://www.lehigh.edu/luadvance/

Lehigh offers excellent benefits including domestic partner benefits. To find out more, please see: http://www.lehigh.edu/~inprv/faculty/worklifebalance.html/

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Offers of employment at Lehigh remain conditional until the successful completion of three (3) required criminal background checks. For more information see: https://hr.lehigh.edu/university-protection-minors-policy-and-pennsylvania-act-153/

Review of applications will begin immediately and will continue until the position is filled. Only electronic submissions are accepted. Therefore, to ensure full consideration, please apply on our online portal listed below:

Academicjobsonline: https://academicjobsonline.org/ajo/jobs/11719

Please upload the following: (1) cover letter, (2) curriculum vitae, (3) a 3-5 page statement describing the impact of your research, teaching, and service activities, and (4) contact information for three references. If you have any questions, please contact: Professor Kathleen Hanley (email: kwh315@lehigh.edu), Chair of the Search Committee or Professor Nandu Nayar (email: nan2@lehigh.edu), Chair of the Perella Department of Finance, Lehigh University, 621 Taylor Street, Bethlehem, PA 18015-3117. Alternately, telephone calls can be placed to (610) 758-3440. Interviews will be held at the FMA 2018 Annual Conference in October and at the AFA in January 2019. We look forward to your application.