CRESST Co-Director
Faculty of Education Appointment (Associate/Full Professor rank)

The Faculty of UCLA’s Department of Education, located within the Graduate School of Education & Information Studies (GSE&IS) is pleased to announce the search for an energetic, creative scholar to serve as a Co-Director of the National Center for Research on Evaluation, Standards, and Student Testing (CRESST) and to actively engage in the school’s graduate and professional degree programs as a faculty member.

CRESST is an internationally recognized research and development center that enjoys strong partnerships with leading institutions and scholars. It has strong programs in the areas of assessment, evaluation, quantitative methodology, and educational reform, as well as the development of models, tools and other technological products, such as games and simulations (e.g., Center for Advanced Technology in Schools). Its diverse staff, including international visiting scholars, numbers about 100. CRESST clients include Federal agencies such as IES, ONR, DARPA, and NIH, state and local educational agencies, foundations, and the private sector, with significant R&D funding in support of innovative assessment design, methods and products. The spectrum of effort addresses children from kindergarten through high school, institutions of higher education, military and medical training, and teacher professional development. CRESST has a special interest in the achievement and affective development of English language learners. Its R&D addresses cognition, self-management and social-emotional learning of underperforming students.

The Search Committee aims to attract candidates with strong records of research and scholarship. Evidence of creativity, vision, and entrepreneurship, including extramural funding, is essential in a changing educational R&D economy. An ideal candidate should be well-versed in national, state, local or international educational and training policies and practices; possess strong communication skills; and serve with the current Center leadership to articulate the trajectory and findings of Center R&D to funding and user audiences in policy, practice, and research. Leadership skills and a spirit of collaboration are needed to work closely with the Center’s leadership team, its multidisciplinary staff, and its external partners.

The search committee welcomes applicants from a wide range of specializations, including, but not limited to assessment, technology, STEM, academic performance in diverse student populations (e.g., English language learners; minority students), learning, curricula development, or educational policy. Interest and experience in research management, innovation, evaluation, or international contexts would be highly desirable.

As a faculty member in the Department of Education, the scholar would also mentor graduate students, teach, and collaborate with the GSE&IS faculty, students, and UCLA’s larger community. The candidate will be appointed at the associate or full professor level commensurate with qualifications and experience.
We encourage applications from members of underrepresented groups and from institutions where high quality, innovative research, teaching and service have prepared them to contribute to our commitment to diversity and excellence.

**Qualifications:** A doctoral degree in Education or a related field, a distinguished record of research, scholarly publication, and extramural funding; commitment and capacity to join the leadership team, working closely with staff, faculty, students and partners of CRESST to move the Center’s R&D agenda to a new level.

**For More Information:** Contact Dr. Li Cai, chair of the search committee, at lcai@ucla.edu. All inquiries will be kept confidential if desired.

**To Apply:** Applications must include a letter describing your research and teaching interests, curriculum vitae, samples of your published work, along with the names and contact information of at least six references. Please send your application to:

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Nominations are also invited. Please send a letter giving pertinent information about the nominee, including contact information to above address.

**Salary:** Salary and benefits will be competitive and commensurate with qualifications and experience.

**Starting Date:** Appointment could begin as early as July 1, 2013.

**Deadline:** All applications postmarked by November 12, 2012, will receive full consideration. However, screening of applications will continue until position is filled.

UCLA is an Equal Opportunity/Affirmative Action Employer. Individuals with a history of and commitment to mentoring students, both graduate and undergraduate levels from underrepresented minorities are encouraged to apply.