



**Director of the Thompson Policy Institute and Associate Professor or Full  
Professor in the Attallah College of Educational Studies,  
Inclusive and Special Education**

Chapman University seeks applications for a tenured or tenure-track Director of the Thompson Policy Institute on Disability at the rank of Associate Professor or Full Professor, in the Attallah College of Educational Studies. Founded in 2015, Chapman University's Thompson Policy Institute (TPI) on Disability strives to impact policy by reducing barriers limiting access to learning, living and working, and the pursuit of a complete and quality life. (<https://www.chapman.edu/education/centers-and-partnerships/thompson-policy-institute/index.aspx>)

Chapman University, located in the heart of Orange County, California, offers select pre-professional and graduate programs as well as traditional undergraduate programs in the arts and sciences. Chapman's growth as a research institution has been recognized by its recent elevation to R2 status in the Carnegie Classification of Institutions of Higher Education. The Donna Ford Attallah College of Educational Studies offers undergraduate and graduate programs in leadership, teacher education, and school counseling and psychology. Information about the Donna Ford Attallah College of Educational Studies is available at <https://www.chapman.edu/education>.

**Description:** The Attallah College is searching for a highly qualified and experienced researcher and leader in areas of disability and education. Many possible areas of research focus are acceptable, but priority is given to inclusive education, transition to quality adult life, and educational or social policy toward developing an inclusive society. The Director of the Thompson Policy Institute on Disability (TPI) will lead TPI activities and engage in collaborative research with faculty and community members, initiate research projects for external funding, and teach courses in similar areas. This is a full-time, tenured or tenure-track position.

**Requirements:**

An earned doctorate in inclusive education, disability studies, special education or a related field from an accredited institution is required. The successful applicant must have a distinguished record of research and publication. Experience working with multiple stakeholders, such as P-12 schools and related public/private agencies is also required.

**Duties & Responsibilities:**

- Lead through collaboration with colleagues within the Thompson Policy Institute on Disability toward the goal of impacting local, state and/or national policy regarding people with disabilities.
- Engage in a rigorous research and external grant-seeking agenda.

- Teach, advise and mentor students in the Attallah College Ph.D. program with emphasis in special education, inclusive education, disability studies, and research methods.
- Contribute as an integral member of the Attallah College faculty in the ongoing development, implementation, and assessment of our degree programs.
- Provide leadership and vision as the Director of the Thompson Policy Institute.

**Desirable experiences/qualifications:**

- Evidence of seeking and securing external grant funding for research.
- Expertise in areas such as the following: inclusive schooling, family studies, bilingual education, literacy, mathematics, science, assistive technology, teaching students with extensive support needs, research methodologies, and school-to-work transition.
- Expertise in quantitative research methods.
- Active involvement in professional organizations.
- Demonstrated commitment to collaborative research.
- Experience using technology to enhance educational environments, developing research reports, budgeting, and in presenting to professional audiences.
- Leadership experience of research teams including staffing and budgets

**Application Process:**

The search committee co-chairs are Dr. Scot Danforth and Dr. Kelly Kennedy. Please submit a formal application electronically detailing qualifications related to the position description, curriculum vitae, one sample of research publications/submissions, and contact information for three references to:

Drs. Scot Danforth and Kelly Kennedy, Search Committee co-chairs  
c/o Mayte Aviles Mendoza, Search Coordinator, maviles@chapman.edu  
Chapman University  
Donna Ford Attallah College of Educational Studies

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Salary will be commensurate with qualifications. Chapman University is an Equal Opportunity Employer, committed to providing career opportunities to all people, without regard to race, color, religion, gender, age, national origin, sexual orientation, disability, or veteran status. Chapman University requires background checks for all new employees.

Application review begins April 15, 2019. The position commences August 1, 2019. The position is tenure track and will remain open until filled.