
Mathematical Sciences Employment Center

*Baltimore Convention Center, Baltimore, Maryland
January 15-18, 2014*

The Employment Center offers a convenient, safe, and practical meeting place for employers and applicants attending the Joint Meetings. The focus of the Employment Center is on Ph.D.-level mathematical scientists and those that seek to hire them from academia, business, and government.

Employment Center Web Services

Employment Center registration information will be accessed through the MathJobs.org system. For employers who do not have existing MathJobs.org accounts, it will be possible to set up special Employment Center accounts on MathJobs.org. The website and all information will be available beginning in early September 2013 and will remain accessible through the period of the Employment Center. While some schools may delay appointment-setting until late December, virtually all scheduling will be done before travel takes place, so applicants should expect few or no further appointments after arrival. Registering on site, for applicants, serves no real purpose.

No Admittance Without a JMM Badge

All applicants and employers planning to enter the Employment Center—even just for one interview—must present a 2014 Joint Meetings Registration badge or they will be denied admittance. Meeting badges are obtained by registering for the Joint Mathematics Meetings and paying a meeting registration fee. See the JMM website at: <http://jointmathematicsmeetings.org/jmm> for registration instructions and rates.

Employers: Choose a Table

There are two table types available for employers, based on the number of interviewers who will be present at any one time:

- one or two interviewers per table in the “Quiet Area” (US\$315), additional table (US\$130).
- three to six interviewers per table in the “Committee Table” area (US\$390), additional table (US\$140).
- Electricity is available to employers (US\$75 per table).

All Employment Center forms are now housed on the MathJobs.org site. An existing account can be used for accessing Employment Center services and paying appropriate fees, or if no account exists, participants can start an account solely for Employment Center use.

Employers are expected to create their own interview schedules as far in advance as possible, using the assisted-email system in Mathjobs.org or using other means of communication.

Please mark appointments as confirmed in your Mathjobs.org account which will allow the appointments to display in the applicants’ schedules. At the time of the interview, meet the applicant in the waiting area on site and escort him or her to your table.

2014 Employment Center Schedule:

December 24, 2013—Advance registration deadline for JMM. Meeting badge will be required for admittance. After this date, meeting registration fees go up and meeting registration may only happen on site in Baltimore.

OPEN HOURS (NO access before opening time):

Wednesday, January 15, 2014—8:00 a.m.–6:00 p.m.

Thursday, January 16, 2014—8:00 a.m.–6:00 p.m.

Friday, January 17, 2014—8:00 a.m.–6:00 p.m.

Saturday, January 18, 2014—9:00 a.m.–12:00 noon.

Location: Exhibit Hall E, Level 100, Baltimore Convention Center, One West Pratt Street, Baltimore, MD

Do not schedule an interview to begin until 15 minutes after opening.



Employers: How to Register

- Registration runs from early September 2013 through January 18, 2014, at the following website: www.mathjobs.org.

- Use your existing MathJobs.org account or create a new Employer account at www.mathjobs.org. Once a table is reserved, the ad can be placed at any time (or never) and will run until late January.

- To register, go to www.mathjobs.org. Log into your existing account if you have one. Purchase a table by clicking the “EmpCent” logo in the menus along the top tool bar. Use the “buy tables” link. Then post a job using the NewJob link or attach an existing job to your table. By default, applicants may request interviews. You can change this setting.

- Each person who will need to enter the Employment Center area must have a meeting badge (obtained by registering for the JMM and paying a meeting registration fee).

To display an ad on site, and use no Employment Center services at all, submit your one -page paper ad on site in San Diego to the Employment Center staff. There is no fee for this service.

For complete information, visit <http://www.ams.org/emp-reg/>.

Applicants: Making the Decision to Attend

- The interview request system which was formerly used by applicants has been discontinued because so few employers were willing to use it. Employers issue invitations based on applications made for the position, and only for candidates that they wish to see.

- The Employment Center offers no guarantees of interviews or jobs. Hiring decisions are not made during or immediately following interviews. In the current job market, the ratio of applicants to employers is about 10:1, and many applicants go completely unnoticed.

- There will ordinarily be no research-oriented post-doctoral positions listed or discussed at the Employment Center.

- Interviews will go to applicants who applied to jobs during the fall and are now being sought out by the institutions for in-person meetings during the JMM.

- There will be no opportunity to speak to employers without a pre-arranged interview, and no walk-up job information tables. Scheduling of interviews is complete prior to the JMM.

In the current job market, the majority of Employment Center employers are academic departments of mathematical sciences seeking to meet a short list of applicants who applied for their open positions during the fall. Each year, a few government or industry employers are present. Often, they are seeking U.S. citizens only due to existing contracts.

All job postings are available on the website in advance, and now that this electronic service is in place, there is no other messaging conducted on paper.

Past attendees have pointed out that all interviews are arranged in advance, and there is no opportunity to make connections on site if it has not happened before the meeting. In a recent survey, fifty percent of applicants responding reported being invited for at least one on-campus visit to an employer they had interviewed with at the Employment Center. Please visit the Employment Center website for further advice, information, and program updates at www.ams.org/emp-reg/.

Applicants: How to Register

- Early registration is vital since most employers will finalize schedules before arriving in San Diego.

- To register, applicants should log into their MathJobs.org accounts or create a new account, look for the EmpCent icon and mark that they will be attending. Then upload documents, check email for interview invitations, and respond to those.

There are no Employment Center fees for applicants; however, admission to the Employment Center room requires a 2014 JMM badge, obtainable by registering (and paying a fee) for the Joint Mathematics Meetings. To register for the meeting, go to <http://jointmathematicsmeetings.org/jmm>.

It is possible to attend one or more privately arranged interviews without official Employment Center registration, however, a meeting badge is required to access the interview room.

Applicants should keep track of their interview schedules and note their busy times in their accounts. If invited for an interview at a conflicting time, please ask the employer to offer a new time or suggest one.

For complete information, visit <http://www.ams.org/emp-reg/>.

Questions about the Employment Center registration and participation can be directed to Steve Ferrucci, AMS Membership and Programs Department, at 800-321-4267, ext. 4113 or by email to emp-info@ams.org.