
Mathematical Sciences Employment Center

*Henry B. Gonzalez Convention Center, San Antonio, Texas
January 10–13, 2015*

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 those 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 2014 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 2015 Joint Meetings Registration badge. Meeting badges are obtained by registering for the Joint Mathematics Meetings and paying a meeting registration fee. See the JMM website at: <http://jointmathematicsm meetings.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\$320), additional table (US\$130).
- three to six interviewers per table in the “Committee Table” area (US\$400), additional table (US\$145).
- Electricity is available to employers (US\$85 per table).

New this year, employers will be able to purchase one-day tables. These tables can only be purchased ON SITE in San Antonio and no Web services or Web forms are included. The table can accommodate up to three interviewers. The fee is (US\$190). Electricity will not be

available. Please see the employment center staff on site for full details.

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.

Employers: How to Register

- Registration runs from early September 2014 through January 10, 2015, at the following website: www.mathjobs.org.

2015 Employment Center Schedule:

December 23, 2014—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 San Antonio.

OPEN HOURS (NO access before opening time):

Saturday, January 10, 2015—8:00 a.m.–5:30 p.m.

Sunday, January 11, 2015—8:00 a.m.–5:30 p.m.

Monday, January 12, 2015—8:00 a.m.–5:30 p.m.

Tuesday, January 13, 2015—9:00 a.m.–12:00 noon.

Location: Ballroom A, Street Level, Henry B. Gonzalez Convention Center, 200 East Market Street, San Antonio, Texas.

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



- 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.

- For new users of Mathjobs.org, click the NEW EMPLOYER link on the main page of www.mathjobs.org. Choose your table type and fill out the New Employer Form.

- For existing users of Mathjobs.org, go to www.mathjobs.org. Log into your existing account. 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.

- 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 Antonio 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 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 Antonio.

- To register, applicants should log into their Mathjobs.org accounts or create a new account, look for the EmpCent icon across the top tool bar and mark that they will be attending by clicking the link, “click here if you are attending the Employment Center.” You can then upload documents and peruse the list of employers attending and the positions available. You do not have the option to request an interview with an employer. However, if you are interested in any position, you can apply to the job. The employer will be aware that you are also attending the event and will contact you directly if interested in setting up an interview.

There are no Employment Center fees for applicants; however, admission to the Employment Center room requires a 2015 JMM badge, obtainable by registering (and paying a fee) for the Joint Mathematics Meetings. To register for the meeting, go to <http://jointmathematicsm meetings.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.