

AMS Employment Center

San Diego Convention Center, San Diego, California

January 10–13, 2018



Kate Awitrey, JMM 2017 Photographer.

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

2018 Employment Center Schedule:

December 20, 2017, is the deadline for table registration. After this date, only “One Day Tables” will be available for purchase. This is also the deadline to register for the JMM badge, needed for admittance to the EC, at Advance Registration Prices.

Hours of Operation (Please note there is no access to the EC prior to the opening times listed):

Wednesday, January 10, 2018 – 8:00 am–5:30 pm

Thursday, January 11, 2018 – 8:00 am–5:30 pm

Friday, January 12, 2018 – 8:00 am–5:30 pm

Saturday, January 13, 2018 – 9:00 am–12:00 noon

Location: Hall A, San Diego Convention Center, San Diego, California.

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

Employment Center Web Services

Employment Center registration information should be accessed through the MathJobs.Org system. The website and all information will be available beginning in early September 2017 and will remain accessible through January 13, 2018, (the last day of the Employment Center). While some schools may delay appointment setting until late December 2017, virtually all scheduling will be done before any Joint Mathematics Meetings (JMM) travel takes place, so applicants should expect few or no additional appointments to be available 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 2018 Joint Meetings Registration badge. Meeting badges are obtained by registering for the JMM and paying a meeting registration fee. The advanced registration deadline is December 20, 2017. See the JMM website at: jointmathematicsm meetings.org/jmm for registration instructions and rates.

Employers: Choose a Table

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

- One or two interviewers per table in the “**Quiet Area**” (US \$350), each additional table (US\$195).
- Three to six interviewers per table in the “**Committee Table**” area (US \$440), each additional table (US\$215).
- Free electricity is supplied to every table with purchase of the table.
- “**One Day Tables**” allow for on-site interviewing for one day without placing an ad. These tables, which can accommodate up to three interviewers, may only be purchased starting December 21, 2017, through January 12, 2018. The fee is (US\$195). Please register online at www.mathjobs.org and choose the “EC-One Day Table purchase.”

All Employment Center data and registration must be entered on the MathJobs.Org site. An existing account can be used for accessing Employment Center services and for paying applicable fees. 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 by using the assisted-email system in MathJobs.Org or by using other means of communication. Please do not schedule an interview to begin until fifteen minutes after the Employment Center opens.

Please mark appointments as confirmed in your MathJobs.Org account, as this will allow the appointments to display in the applicants' schedules. At the time of interview, meet the applicant in the on-site waiting area and escort him or her to your table.

Employers: How to Register

- Registration runs from early September 2017 through December 20, 2017, at the following website: www.mathjobs.org. After December 20, only "One-Day Tables" will be available. They should be reserved and paid for through 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.
- 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 Diego to the Employment Center staff. There is no fee for this service.

For complete information, visit www.ams.org/emp-reg/.

Applicants: Making the Decision to Attend

- 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.
- 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 6:1, and many applicants go completely unnoticed.

- There will ordinarily be no research-oriented postdoctoral 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 prearranged interview, and no walk-up job information tables. Scheduling of interviews will be complete prior to the JMM.

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 US 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.

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 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 2018 JMM badge, obtainable by registering (and paying a fee) for the JMM. To register for the meeting, go to the website: jointmathematicsmetings.org/jmm.

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

Applicants should keep track of their interview schedules. 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 www.ams.org/emp-reg/.

Questions about the Employment Center registration and participation can be directed to Pamela Morin, AMS Professional Programs Department, at 800-321-4267, ext. 4060 or by e-mail to emp-info@ams.org.