

The University of Louisville Dean

The School of Public Health and Information Sciences

The University of Louisville (http://louisville.edu) announces the search for Dean of the School of Public Health and Information Sciences (SPHIS).

The successful candidate will lead a 21st century public health enterprise with a solid academic and administrative foundation that is a vital component of a premier, nationally recognized metropolitan research university. (http://louisville.edu/sphis/) As SPHIS, the University of Louisville, and the city move together toward new levels of prominence, the Dean will have the unique opportunity to shape the direction of one of America's up and coming public health programs.

The Search Advisory Committee seeks an experienced individual with a terminal degree in public health, medicine or a related health sciences field; national research stature; a significant record of achievement in growing all aspects of an academic program; a strong financial background including success in fundraising; and a consensus-building management style. This is a rare career opportunity to utilize a strong public health background and a vision for excellence to take a rising academic program to the next level of global achievement.

For a list of preferred qualifications and a summary of significant opportunities, see http://www.academic-search.com/ULSPHIS Dean Profile.

The Dean of SPHIS reports jointly to the Executive Vice President for Health Affairs and the Executive Vice President and Provost. The Dean is supported by a Director of Administration and four associate deans in the following areas: Research, Academic Affairs, Student Affairs, and Faculty Affairs. Advancement and public affairs assistance is provided by the office of the Executive Vice President for Health Affairs.

SPHIS is one of four components of UofL's acclaimed academic Health Sciences Center, which also includes Schools of Medicine, Dentistry, and Nursing (www.louisville.edu/hsc). Public Health programs are housed in newly renovated facilities within walking distance of five major hospitals and the Louisville Metro Department of Public Health and Wellness. SPHIS is the only school of public health

in the nation to incorporate information sciences in its name, in keeping with its mission of preparing graduates with cutting-edge tools necessary for success.

SPHIS offers five academic disciplines at the master's and doctoral levels: Bioinformatics and Biostatistics; Epidemiology and Population Health; Environmental and Occupational Health Sciences; Health Management and Systems Sciences; and Health Promotion and Behavioral Sciences. Current degrees include a Master of Public Health, Master of Science, and Doctor of Philosophy degrees as well as a certificate in Clinical Investigation Sciences. Spring 2012 enrollment was 182 students, including 125 pursuing master's degrees.

In Spring 2013 SPHIS will launch its first undergraduate degrees: a Bachelor of Science in Public Health and a Bachelor of Arts in Population Health.

Outreach and multidisciplinary collaboration are central to SPHIS's mission. The school is well known for embracing innovative ideas, investigating new techniques and technologies, and promoting global thinking and locally-based outcomes. Faculty, staff, and students share their expertise with public and private sector professionals in dozens of innovative community-based partnerships devised to combat emerging health and environmental threats.

A premier metropolitan research university, UofL is classified as a High Research Activity Research University by the Carnegie Foundation. Total enrollment is 22,500; the annual operating budget is \$1.2 billion, UofL is one of the fastest growing institutions in the nation in biomedical research as measured by NIH funding. The investment in classrooms, laboratories, and libraries has kept pace with the university's impressive growth.

UofL is comprised of three campuses within close proximity. The 274-acre Belknap Campus, three miles south of downtown Louisville, is the main campus and houses seven of the universities twelve colleges and schools. The Health Sciences Center (HSC) in downtown Louisville's medical complex houses the Schools of Public Health and Information Sciences, Medicine, Dentistry, Nursing, and The University of Louisville Hospital. The 243-acre Shelby Campus in eastern Jefferson County includes the National Crime Prevention Institute.

UofL is a centerpiece of a thriving urban area with nearly one million residents that is home to some of the country's leading corporations and best known health-care providers. With all the amenities of a prosperous and well groomed city, Louisville boasts a cost of living that is well below the national average. (www.gotolouisville.com and www.possibilitycity.com)

Search Process and Timeline

The Search Committee will accept applications and nominations until the on-campus interview stage of the search. For best consideration, materials should be received prior to August 13, 2012.

Applications should include a detailed letter of interest describing relevant experiences and interest in the position; curriculum vitae; names of five references with titles, addresses, and telephone

numbers. References will not be contacted until after preliminary candidate screening, and then only with permission of the candidate.

Individuals who wish to nominate a candidate should submit a letter of nomination, including name, position, address, telephone number, and email address of the nominee.

Materials should be electronically submitted via MS Word or pdf to UofLSPH@academic-search.com. The search is assisted by John B. Hicks, Senior Consultant Academic Search, Inc.

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The University of Louisville is an Affirmative Action, Equal Opportunity, Americans with Disabilities Employer, committed to diversity and, in that spirit, seeks applications from a broad variety of candidates.