



Dean of the School of Public Health University of Washington

The University of Washington (<http://www.uw.edu>) invites applications and nominations for the position of Dean of the School of Public Health. Founded in 1861, the University of Washington is one of the oldest public institutions of higher education on the West Coast. The UW is a premier public research university and is ranked among the world's top 20 universities. The institution receives more federal research funding than any other public university in the United States and is second among all universities in total research expenditures.

School of Public Health

The UW School of Public Health is a national leader in public health education and research. The School has 198 faculty and 505 staff, and has an enrollment of 1003, 80% of whom are graduate students. Total funding for the SPH is \$89M, with 80% coming from grants and contract expenditures. The SPH is consistently ranked among the top five schools within the UW in amount of external awards received.

One of 17 schools and colleges at the University of Washington, the School has five departments, including Biostatistics, Environmental and Occupational Health Sciences, Epidemiology, Global Health (joint with Medicine), and Health Services. The School offers interdisciplinary programs in Maternal and Child Health, Nutritional Sciences, Pathobiology, and Public Health Genetics. In addition, UW's many interdisciplinary centers and institutes provide a means for faculty from many different programs, departments, and even schools to conduct interdisciplinary research within the discipline-based academic world.

The educational programs in the SPH are designed to produce top-notch public health practitioners and researchers. The SPH is well regarded within the University community and nationally for outstanding research, much of which is conducted through interdisciplinary centers and institutes. Many of the graduate programs emphasize fundamental or applied research in the public health sciences and are taught by faculty who are actively engaged in research. The SPH has excellent collaborative relationships with other health sciences schools (Medicine, Pharmacy, Dentistry, Nursing, and Social Work), the Fred Hutchinson Cancer Research Center, and other research organizations.

The SPH is highly involved in service activities that enable faculty to bring knowledge of current public health practice problems to the classroom and to research projects. Strong relationships have been established with community agencies to foster field training experiences for our students. One of the School's centers, the Northwest Center for Public Health Practice, focuses on enhancing public health workforce development and practice-based research through outreach within the public health community. It is only one of several avenues through which the School offers distance learning and continuing education.

Dean

The Dean provides leadership to one of the nation's most progressive and distinguished schools of public health, well-known for its scholarly innovation, impact and excellence in a highly creative and collaborative institution, community and region. We seek a dynamic leader with knowledge, vision, experience, and commitment.

The Dean is responsible for:

- Providing overall leadership of the School
- Strategic planning
- External relations and visibility
- Fund raising, development, and constituency building
- School and student advocacy
- Liaison between UW administration and School faculty
- Recruitment and appointment of departmental chairs and School administrative leaders

Reporting directly to the Provost, the Dean is the chief administrative and academic officer of the School of Public Health.

Preferred Qualifications

- Doctoral degree with qualifications for appointment as a tenured full professor
- Distinguished record of accomplishment in funded research/scholarly work, teaching and service
- Proven leadership and administrative experience
- Demonstrated experience working with diverse and underrepresented populations
- Demonstrated ability to build partnerships and commitment to collaboration across academic disciplines and administrative units.
- Excellent oral, written and interpersonal skills and the ability to effectively communicate and promote the unique mission of the school to students, faculty, alumni, university administration, and other external stakeholders

Application Information

Parker Executive Search is assisting the UW with this search. The School of Public Health Dean Search Committee invites applications and nominations to be submitted to the search firm. Nominations should include the nominee's name and position. Application materials should include a letter addressing how the candidate's background matches the position requirements, curriculum vitae, and contact information for at least six references. Confidential review of materials will begin immediately and will continue until the appointment is made. It is preferred, however, that all nominations and applications be submitted prior to February 1, 2010.

Nominations, applications, and inquiries should be submitted to:

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