The Perelman School of Medicine at the University of Pennsylvania invites applications for the position of Chair of the Department of Surgery.

Rich in tradition, uncompromisingly committed to excellence in academic Surgery, and endowed with gifted and dedicated faculty and trainees, Penn Medicine’s Department of Surgery is a leader in innovation, emerging techniques, and cost-effective care models. The Department, with its origins in the founding of the School of Medicine in 1765, is one of the oldest academic departments of surgery in the United States and has a long lineage of prominent Chairs and other faculty, as well as a substantial endowment. The John Rhea Barton Professor of Surgery, traditionally held by the Chair, was established in 1878 and is the nation’s first endowed medical chair in any discipline.

With more than 120 faculty members, the Department of Surgery is one of the most diverse and distinguished surgery departments in the country. The Department is financially strong with a large clinical volume and presently incorporates five hospitals and multiple outpatient locations throughout the region. In this highly integrated academic medical center, the Chair oversees a wide range of programs and services spanning 10 divisions. A cohesive faculty of general surgeons, subspecialists, and researchers are dedicated to high quality patient care, education, basic science, clinical, and health services research. Their clinical, educational, and scientific activities are devoted to providing the best possible patient care and the generation of new knowledge. Their pursuit of this goal is reflected in their strong commitment to student teaching and house staff training in the operating room, clinic, and research laboratory, and in their contributions to national and international scientific meetings and journals.

The Chair will provide vision and leadership for the Department, sustaining its mutually supportive environment and sense of community. Applicants must have a MD, and/or MD, PhD, and be a respected active clinical surgeon with a distinguished national/international record of research in surgery. As a member of the Clinical Practices of the University of Pennsylvania (CPUP) and the CPUP Board of Directors, the Chair will have a substantial leadership role in Penn Medicine. As such, candidates should possess dynamic leadership skills, administrative expertise, and a clear commitment to — and excellence in — the education and mentorship of students, fellows and faculty. The applicant must have the demonstrated ability to foster strong collaborations among investigators within the Department, as well as with the larger research community on campus, and to promote outreach to the community of clinical investigators. The candidate should articulate a compelling vision for the future of the Penn Medicine Department of Surgery, the role of a clinical department within a highly regarded academic medical center, and in the field of Surgery in general. A strong interest and expertise in fundraising are desirable. The candidate must be qualified for appointment as a full Professor in the Standing Faculty in the Department of Surgery in the Perelman School of Medicine.

We seek candidates who embrace and reflect diversity in the broadest sense.

The University of Pennsylvania is an EOE. Minorities/Women/Individuals with disabilities/Protected Veterans are encouraged to apply.

All interested applicants are invited to submit their curriculum vitae and letter of interest to the attention of John H. Glick, MD, Chair of Search Committee, Surgery Department Chair.

Apply for this position online at: https://www.med.upenn.edu/apps/faculty_ad/index.php/g/d4550