

## **Position Description Director, Wyoming WWAMI**

### **Position [JOB PURPOSE]**

The incumbent will serve as the Director of the Wyoming WWAMI medical education program in the University of Wyoming (UW) College of Health Sciences, holding a joint appointment with the University of Washington School of Medicine (UWSOM). Reporting primarily to the Dean of the College of Health Sciences at UW and secondarily to the Vice Dean for Academic, Rural, and Regional Affairs at UWSOM, the Director is responsible for oversight and management of academic/curricular activities, pipeline, personnel, facility, operations, accreditation, and fiscal matters of the Wyoming WWAMI program, an innovative medical education program in which five states share one medical school (Washington, Wyoming, Alaska, Montana, and Idaho). Wyoming WWAMI students complete 18 months of preclinical training at the UW campus in Laramie before completing clinical training throughout the WWAMI region and ultimately graduating with an MD degree from the University of Washington. The target start date is July 2024, with a flexible start date for the right candidate.

### **Requirements [MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS]**

- Doctoral degree (MD/DO/PhD) in a related field.
- Experience commensurate for appointment at the rank of associate/full professor in either a clinical or tenure-track line.
- Demonstrated administrative experience to include fiscal/budget management, personnel management, and/or program planning.
- Experience and expertise to teach in one of the first or second-year WWAMI subject matter areas.

### **Preferred Qualifications [DESIRED QUALIFICATION]**

Applications are encouraged even if the following preferred qualifications are not met because skills and competencies show up in different ways.

- Previous leadership/administrative experience in medical education.
- Experience teaching medical students, ideally in an integrated medical school curriculum.
- Evidence of ability to work effectively as a team member and team leader in a collaborative, team-based work environment and classroom.
- Experience fostering an inclusive learning and work environment.
- Experience with marketing, fundraising, and/or stewardship of stakeholder/partner relationships.
- Demonstrated understanding of the unique challenges and opportunities associated with medical practice in rural locations
- Clinical medicine/public health practice experience or experience as a health/biomedical sciences researcher with engagement with relevant professional associations.
- Evidence of strong communication skills that can be leveraged to (1) lead the WWAMI medical education program at the UW campus and (2) support and advance collaborative partnerships across the WWAMI consortium.

### **Responsibilities [ESSENTIAL DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES]**

Reporting primarily to the Dean of the College of Health Sciences at UW and secondarily to the Vice Dean for Academic, Rural, and Regional Affairs at UWSOM, the Director is responsible for oversight and management of academic/curricular activities, pipeline, personnel, facility, operations, accreditation, and fiscal matters of the Wyoming WWAMI program. Responsibilities also include teaching, engaging in clinical practice/ sustaining an active scholarly research program, and providing service to internal and external stakeholders. Travel is required to UWSOM and Wyoming instructional sites.

## **Secondary Responsibilities [SUPPLEMENTAL FUNCTIONS]**

- Development and stewardship of new and existing stakeholder/constituent relationships
- Fundraising for the Wyoming WWAMI Program

## **Application [REQUIRED MATERIALS]**

**Full consideration will be given to all applications received by March 1, 2024;** review of applications will be ongoing and continue until the position is filled. **Required application materials include:**

- a letter of application/intent addressing qualifications relevant to the position's requirements, responsibilities, and preferred qualifications
- resume or curriculum vitae that includes teaching/instruction experience
- 2-page (maximum) leadership philosophy that incorporates past leadership experiences and relevance to medical education
- names and contact information (e-mail address, telephone number) of four references

If a candidate is invited to interview in person, four professional letters of recommendation will be required prior to the interview. **Apply here by clicking on this link:** <http://tinyurl.com/mr34tkcd>

Questions/inquiries about the position should be directed to **Dr. Valerie Thompson-Ebanks, Search Committee Chair, at [vthomps4@uwyo.edu](mailto:vthomps4@uwyo.edu) or (307) 766-5639.**

## **Wyoming WWAMI**

Housed in the College of Health Sciences, the Wyoming WWAMI medical education program is a member of the five state WWAMI cooperative medical education program which focuses on training a primary care workforce for rural areas. Students complete the first 18 months of medical education at the University of Wyoming before transitioning to the UWSOM for the remainder of their medical education. Wyoming WWAMI partners with several academic units within the College of Health Sciences and across campus to achieve the instructional mission directed by the UWSOM. Wyoming WWAMI is supported in its mission by state-of-the-art teaching facilities, invested and committed partners across Wyoming, and an exceptional team of staff, faculty instructors, clinical faculty, and preceptors. Over the past 25 years, more than 300 Wyoming residents have earned medical degrees through WWAMI and the majority of graduates return to practice in Wyoming.

## **The College of Health Sciences**

UW's College of Health Sciences trains health and wellness professionals and researchers in a wide variety of disciplines, including medicine, nursing, pharmacy, speech-language pathology, social work, kinesiology, public health, health administration and disability studies. The college also oversees residency and fellowship programs in Casper and Cheyenne, as well as operating a speech/hearing clinic in Laramie and primary care clinics in Laramie, Casper and Cheyenne. With more than 1,600 undergraduate, graduate and professional students, the college is dedicated to training the health and wellness workforce of Wyoming and conducting high-quality research and community engagement, with a particular focus on rural and frontier populations.

## **The University of Wyoming**

The University of Wyoming, founded in 1886 at Laramie, is an educational research community of more than 10,000 students. Approximately two hours by car north of Denver, CO, Laramie is situated at 7,200 feet above sea level on the high plains of southeastern Wyoming between the scenic Laramie Range to the east and the spectacular Medicine Bow Mountains to the west. For more information visit our website at <http://www.uwyo.edu/>.