



**Dean, School of Medicine
University of Missouri-Kansas City
Kansas City, Missouri**

The [University of Missouri-Kansas City](#) (UMKC) invites applications and nominations for the Dean of the [School of Medicine](#) (SOM). The UMKC SOM is nationally recognized for its innovation in medical education, implementing one of the only six-year, dual undergraduate/MD degree programs in the nation. The SOM was founded in 1971 to train high-quality physicians to serve the region and has recently expanded to include a campus at St. Joseph, Missouri with an emphasis on rural medicine. UMKC is responsible for training more than 50% of the healthcare workforce in the local and state communities, with over 4,000 alumni around the country.

As a community-based school of medicine, UMKC partners with many of the leading healthcare providers in the region including four hospitals within Kansas City, namely University Health, Children's Mercy Kansas City, St. Luke's Health System, and the Kansas City VA Medical Center. Additionally, UMKC has partnered with a large and growing rural healthcare operation, [Mosaic Life Care](#) in St. Joseph, located one hour north of Kansas City. This dedication to urban and rural medical training is further bolstered by the SOM's growing investment in research, which has more than doubled over the past five years.

The dean is the chief academic officer of the school with direct reports that include the dean's leadership team and department chairs. The next dean will lead the SOM through an exciting time, partnering with UMKC leaders, hospital affiliate leadership, and other invested parties to lead the recently established [Health Sciences District](#) (HSD) of Kansas City, a consortium of 12 health science schools, hospitals, and other health care entities. The dean will expand the research footprint of UMKC across basic, translational, clinical, outcomes, and health equity spaces, leveraging internal expertise and leading partners in growing a nationally recognized research program. The dean will be a willing spokesperson and fundraiser for the SOM, broadcasting the incredible work being done at UMKC and connecting with community leaders around shared priorities. Growth will be paramount to success, with opportunities to grow the medical school student body, programs, faculty, research, collaborations, and finances of the SOM. The dean must have an outstanding academic record coupled with considerable strategic health care experience and demonstrated executive management capability. The ideal candidate will have a distinguished record of academic achievement, commensurate with the rank of a tenured, full professor. An MD, MD/PhD, or equivalent is required.

The University of Missouri-Kansas City has retained Isaacson, Miller, a national executive search firm, to assist with this important recruitment. All inquiries, nominations, and applications should be sent in confidence to: <https://www.imsearch.com/open-searches/university-missouri-kansas-city-school-medicine/dean>

The University of Missouri, Kansas City values the uniqueness of every individual, and strives to ensure each person's success. Contributions from individuals with diverse backgrounds, experiences, and perspectives promote intellectual pluralism and enable us to achieve excellence in learning, research, and engagement. This commitment makes UMKC a better place to work, learn, and innovate. Application materials should address experiences and expertise that support these values and enrich UMKC's mission of teaching, research, and engagement.