

Chair, Department of Psychiatry
Western Michigan University Homer Stryker M.D. School of Medicine

Western Michigan University Homer Stryker M.D. School of Medicine (WMed) seeks an exceptional academic physician leader to serve a Chair for the Department of Psychiatry. Building upon the \$100 million foundational gift in 2011, WMed received a philanthropic commitment of \$300 million to support the mission of the medical school in June 2021. This historic gift provides resources to support unique programs designed to expand access to care, decrease barriers for students historically underrepresented in medicine, and empower the futures of students, trainees, faculty, and patients. Reporting to the CEO and Dean of WMed, the successful candidate will join one of the newer US medical schools, and one of the few in several decades to be built entirely from the ground up.

Department and Position Highlights

- Lead a faculty team of 13 psychiatrists and one psychologist with additional recruits budgeted
- Department includes one fully accredited residency program with six residents per year
- Oversee one clinic location and faculty privileges at two hospitals
- Opportunity to further expand services through the Kalamazoo Collaborative Care Project
- Build a culture of innovation, collaboration, and scholarly productivity to become a nationally recognized academic program for serving vulnerable populations
- Leverage institutional commitment and resources to make an impact in health equity and inclusion in medical education

Qualifications:

- MD, DO, or equivalent medical degree required.
- Board certified in Psychiatry
- Licensed or eligible for unrestricted medical licensure in the state of Michigan.
- Academic credentials appropriate for appointment at the rank of Associate Professor or Professor.
- Substantial record of leadership and achievements in academic medicine and education.

Community Information

A city rich with creative culture where a sense of adventure can extend from the outdoors to the dining table. Home to three higher education institutions, two nationally recognized healthcare systems, cutting-edge medical research, world-class brewing and dining, and a wide variety of music, art, theatre, and cultural attractions.

- A community that truly invests in the future of its citizens
- The Kalamazoo Promise—provides graduates of Kalamazoo public school free tuition for any college in Michigan
- Distinct seasons to explore a variety of outdoor adventures along trails, waterways, and the shores of Lake Michigan
- Enjoy a low cost of living and access to plenty of big-city amenities—midway between Chicago and Detroit

Interested candidates should provide their curriculum vitae, letter of interest outlining key leadership experiences, and a statement of commitment to fostering a culture of diversity, equity, and inclusion to [Kendra Thompson](#) of Merritt Hawkins at Kendra.thompson@merritthawkins.com.

Western Michigan University Homer Stryker MD School of Medicine is an Equal Employment Opportunity/Affirmative Action employer of females, minorities, individuals with disabilities, and protected veterans, and actively strives to increase diversity within its community. WMed provides a drug- and tobacco-free workplace.