Founding Chair and Director, Department of Health and Rehabilitation Sciences

Temple University announces a national search for the Founding Chair and Director for the Department of Health and Rehabilitation Sciences, and invites nominations and expressions of interest for this exceptional opportunity.

The College of Public Health is distinguished from other accredited schools of public health through its merging of clinical and population health disciplines, enabled by its 26 program-specific accreditations. Led by its most transformative dean, Laura A. Siminoff, PhD, the College has undergone major growth in the past five years, including significant faculty hiring of tenured/tenure track faculty as well as senior clinical positions.

The College looks to expand some of its iconic and renowned programs to strengthen transdisciplinary education and leverage commonalities across the physical therapy (PT), occupational therapy (OT), athletic training (AT), and recreational therapy (RT) programs; this includes an exciting opportunity to incorporate a large undergraduate program in health professions to be housed in the new comprehensive Department of Health and Rehabilitation Sciences.

A critical success factor of the College of Public Health in expanding these changes is the recruitment of a nationally recognized leader with a distinguished record of achievement in research and scholastic work, education and administration, who can promote the educational, clinical, and research missions. The successful candidate will have a broad understanding of the rehabilitation sciences and professions from clinical practice to community-based programs and be eager to expand the scope and depth of all its programs within the theoretical framework of public health.

The Founding Chair/Director must demonstrate transparency, a deep sense of professionalism, commitment to diversity and inclusion in all its forms, an unwavering ethical compass, and strong support for integrative health and interdisciplinary and transdisciplinary collaboration. The Founding Chair/Director will have the opportunity to shape and expand the department through targeted recruitment of high impact faculty members, investments to support growth in extramural research grants, build community engagement by joining efforts with a nascent neighborhood clinic and an expansion of participatory research, and articulate a vision that inspires philanthropic funding.

Korn Ferry is assisting Temple University with this important search. Please forward, as soon as possible, applications or nominations of appropriate candidates, in confidence, to:

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