Dean of the College of Human Environmental Sciences
University of Missouri | Columbia, Missouri

The University of Missouri (MU), located in Columbia, Missouri, seeks a dynamic and visionary leader for the position of Dean of the College of Human Environmental Sciences (HES), founded in 1900. The position reports directly to the Provost and is a member of the Council of Deans.

Deeply rooted in the land-grant mission, the college is the only human environmental sciences unit in Missouri that confers doctoral degrees. The college is comprised of six academic units: Architectural Studies, Human Development and Family Science, Nutrition and Exercise Physiology, Personal Financial Planning, Textile and Apparel Management, and the School of Social Work, and corresponding Extension programs (http://extension.missouri.edu/hes/). Employed in HES are 51 tenured and tenure-track faculty and 24 non-tenure teaching, research, clinical, and Extension faculty. Current enrollments: 1,343 undergraduate and 415 graduate students. The College and the Office of the HES Dean are supported by HES Student Services, the HES Associate Dean for Research and Graduate Studies, HES Advancement (Development) and the Associate Dean for HES Extension. The College of Human Environmental Sciences has changed tremendously across 100 years of service. We are proud of our growth and national reputation for strong, relevant programs, and take pride in the accomplishments of our alumni, who represent the college with distinction in the professional fields of education, business and industry, technology, government and social services.

The dean will provide leadership and advocacy for education, research, and Extension in human sciences, and will shape and advance the college’s mission to address human needs and enhance individual and family life in our increasingly diverse and global society. S/he will be responsible for: effective recruitment; strategic and innovative interdisciplinary programs; effective economic development activities; initiatives contributing to campus diversity, professional, and career development; prominence of human sciences in strategic planning, enrollment management, and communications; promoting best practices in education; positioning the college with alumni, philanthropic, political, and other stakeholders; the highest standards of quality through collaboration with graduate studies, chairs, center directors, and other academic administrators; collaboration with Mizzou Advantage (http://mizzouadvantage.missouri.edu/); providing leadership and vision for future developments in human sciences education both at MU, nationally and internationally. In addition, MU is engaged in a major development campaign and the dean will be expected to devote a substantial amount of his/her time to development activities.

MU, the flagship of the four-campus University of Missouri System, is one of the most comprehensive universities in the U.S., and is located in Columbia, Missouri, one of America’s most livable cities. It is an AAU, Doctoral/Research Extensive, and Land-Grant institution with more than 35,000 students this fall.

The University of Missouri is fully committed to achieving the goal of a diverse and inclusive academic community of faculty, staff and students. We seek individuals who are committed to this goal and our core campus values of respect, responsibility, discovery and excellence.

Qualifications: Candidates for the position should have an earned doctorate, a record consistent with appointment as a full professor in a college department, relevant administrative experience, national stature in the field of human environmental sciences, a broad institutional perspective, and be a strong communicator and compelling national and international voice for human environmental sciences with internal and external audiences. S/he should be engaged with and demonstrate a strong understanding of and commitment to excellence in human environmental sciences education, research, and Extension and have the highest standards and personal integrity.

How to apply: Nominations, applications, and inquiries, which will be treated in confidence, are welcomed and should be sent to: hesdeansearch@missouri.edu (preferred), or by postal service to: Chair, College of Human Environmental Sciences Dean Search, c/o Office of the Provost, University of Missouri, 110 Jesse Hall, Columbia, MO 65211.

Applicants should submit: a letter expressing interest in and perspectives on the position, curriculum vitae, and other materials supporting candidacy, including names and contact information for at least four references. References will not be contacted until advanced stages of screening, and candidates will receive prior notification.

For full consideration, please submit your application materials by Monday, January 11, 2016. Please contact the Chair of the Search Committee or the Provost via Teresa Davis at 573-884-5140 or davistl@missouri.edu with questions.

The University of Missouri is an Equal Opportunity, Affirmative Action Employer. Applications from women and minorities are strongly encouraged. To request ADA accommodations, please contact our ADA Coordinator at (573)884-7278 (V/TTY).