The University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee (UWM) invites nominations and applications for the position of Dean of the Helen Bader School of Social Welfare. The School seeks a vibrant, visionary, energetic leader who will build on the School’s past record of success. The University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee, Wisconsin’s major public urban research university, offers a comprehensive liberal arts and professional education at the undergraduate and graduate levels and is one of the two doctoral-granting campuses in the University of Wisconsin System.

As the chief academic officer for the Helen Bader School of Social Welfare (HBSSW), the Dean has primary responsibility to plan, develop, and administer all aspects of the School’s educational programs, activities, and budget; provide vision in setting priorities and leadership in maintaining academic standards and in strengthening faculty scholarship and research; work with partners across the University; and represent the School within the University, the UW System, the external community and region, with alumni, and with appropriate external agencies and organizations regarding academic programs and standards. The Dean reports directly to the Provost, is a member of the Academic Dean’s Council, and participates in a shared governance system with faculty and staff. A full list of qualifications is included in the institutional and position profile posted at: https://uwm.edu/secu/hbssw-dean-search/.

The School’s mission is to improve lives and strengthen communities through research, education and community partnerships. To accomplish this, it seeks to promote excellence in its degree programs and training initiatives, while emphasizing both accessibility and student retention. It also promotes community-based research through collaborations with a wide array of local agencies. The two academic units comprising the School are the Department of Social Work and the Department of Criminal Justice & Criminology which offer some of the largest social work and criminal justice programs in Wisconsin. Details on the academic programs in the School can be found at https://uwm.edu/socialwelfare/academics.

APPLICATION PROCEDURE
The search and screen committee is pleased to partner with the search firm Strategic Search Advantage. To apply, please submit a complete curriculum vita, a letter of application, and a list of at least five references (none of whom will be contacted until a later stage of the search and not without candidate permission). The letter should summarize your professional qualifications and the accomplishments that reflect the skills, background, and experience to be successful in this key position. Send your application materials to Gary R. Rhoads, Search Consultant, at grhoads@strategicsearchadvantage.com or call 570-484-6414 for a confidential conversation. Nominations should also be directed to Mr. Rhoads. For best consideration, applications must be received by December 1, 2019. Applications received after this date may not be considered. Applications will be accepted until an appointment is made.

The University of Wisconsin System will not reveal the identities of applicants who request confidentiality in writing, except that the identity of the successful candidate will be released. See Wis. Stat. § 19.36(7).

UWM is an AA/EOE employer: All applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to race, color, national origin, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity/expression, disability, or protected veteran status.
Employment will require a criminal background check. UWM takes the prevention of sexual misconduct seriously. As such, you and your references will be required to answer questions regarding any past findings of sexual violence and sexual harassment or any pending allegations of sexual violence or sexual harassment.