

## **Dean, Graduate School of Social Work**

The University of Denver (DU) welcomes inquiries, nominations, and applications for the position of dean of its Graduate School of Social Work (GSSW). The school's 30 tenure-line faculty, 11 clinical faculty, 11 professors of practice, five research faculty, 252 adjunct faculty, 100 staff members, and more than 1,388 master's and doctoral students form a vibrant community that is passionate about transforming social work education, practice, and research to imagine, accelerate, and sustain social change in order to deliver on the long-overdue promise of equity and justice.

Founded nearly a century ago and now ranked #11 among the nation's top schools of social work, the University of Denver Graduate School of Social Work (GSSW) has built a reputation for centering antioppressive praxis, community engagement, and public impact.

The University seeks a versatile, relational dean to provide courageous, collaborative, and visionary leadership to further advance the school and marshal the resources necessary to support GSSW's goals. Reporting to the provost, the dean provides academic, intellectual, and administrative leadership for the school. The new dean will be asked to build upon and further the vision of the school; champion a school environment that advances social and racial justice, diversity, equity, inclusion, and belonging; build on faculty strengths and support excellence across diverse, innovative, nontraditional approaches to education and scholarship; grow the research enterprise; enhance the student experience; cultivate community; build capacity and operational strength; collaborate with other DU officials in leading the University; build strong relationships with GSSW constituents; and lead the school's fundraising efforts.

GSSW's next dean must be committed to the mission of the school and of DU, embrace all aspects of social work education, and bring a progressive view of how the field needs to evolve. Ideal candidates will be human centered, relational, collaborative, courageous leaders who are committed to empowering students, staff, and faculty for optimal impact and who have a record of fostering environments in which challenges to systemic and structural oppression can flourish. Requirements include experience managing people, business operations, and finance, as well as scholarship rooted in social work and a record of academic accomplishment appropriate to appointment as a tenured full professor in the school.

Founded in 1864, DU is a private R1 university dedicated to the public good. DU values diversity, equity, and inclusive excellence, recognizing that its success is dependent on how well it values, engages, and includes the rich diversity of its constituents. DU is situated in the Denver metro area, a vibrant and diverse urban center in the Rocky Mountain region that is home to 2.9 million people. Ranked #105 among the top universities in the country, DU enrolls 5,774 undergraduates and 7,157 graduate students and has more than 800 full-time faculty.

All applications, nominations, and inquiries are invited. Applications should include, as separate documents, a CV or resume and a letter of interest addressing the themes in the profile available <https://www.wittkiewer.com/position/24273-dean-graduate-school-of-social-work/>, particularly the applicant's approach to diversity, equity, inclusion, and justice. A request for a full DEIJ statement will be forthcoming for applicants who advance in the search.

WittKiewer is assisting the University of Denver in this search. For fullest consideration, candidate materials should be received by February 6, 2023.

Application materials should be submitted using WittKiewer's <https://candidateportal.wittkiewer.com/description?jobID=24273>.

Nominations and inquiries can be directed to the WittKiewer team for this search:

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<https://tinyurl.com/bddj7hbh>

**Salary Range:** The salary range for this position is \$280K to \$320K.

The University of Denver has provided a compensation range that represents its good faith estimate of what the University may pay for the position at the time of posting. The University may ultimately pay more or less than the posted compensation range. The salary offered to the selected candidate will be determined based on factors such as the qualifications of the selected candidate, departmental budget availability, internal salary equity considerations, and available market information, but not based on a candidate's sex or any other protected status.

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