

## **Professor and Chair to transform the Department of Biomathematics**

The University of California Los Angeles invites applicants to lead a new initiative in biomedical informatics and computational medicine. As Professor and Chair, the candidate will lead a transformation and renaming of the Department of Biomathematics, housed in the David Geffen School of Medicine (DGSOM), in the areas of Clinical Informatics, Bioinformatics, and Mathematical Biology. Reporting to the Dean of the DGSOM, the Chair will provide vision, leadership, and strategic direction in meeting the research, education, and service missions of the transformed Department. Responsibilities include overall management, academic planning, budget, personnel, resource allocation, and program development.

This recruitment is based on the comprehensive work of a multidisciplinary task force convened to create a vision for the future of biomedical informatics in the DGSOM. The principal recommendations include the following: (1) Establish a new department that builds upon the current Department of Biomathematics and includes three divisions (Clinical Informatics, Bioinformatics, and Mathematical Biology); (2) Foster a coherent Departmental culture and leverage strengths of departments and institutes outside DGSOM on the main UCLA campus; (3) Catalyze translational informatics research and training; (4) Ensure active collaboration between informatics leadership in the Health System with faculty in the new Department.

The current Department of Biomathematics has a rich and long history in mathematical and computational biology. Research interests include mathematical and statistical genetics, mathematical physiology, theoretical biophysics, evolutionary and systems biology, molecular and medical imaging, oncology, and clinical pharmacology. The educational mission includes training of undergraduate, masters, graduate, and postdoctoral students. The Department's Statistical Biomath Consulting Clinic provides assistance to biotech companies, physicians conducting clinical trials and operations research, and students working on theses and post-doctoral research.

Candidates must have an M.D. and/or Ph.D. degree, an outstanding record of leadership and research excellence, and a demonstrated commitment to education. It is also highly desired that the candidate have a proven track record of management in academia, national leadership in professional organizations, national recognition for scholarship, ability to recruit the new faculty that will be needed for this Department, and documented experience and expertise in mentoring junior faculty.

Confidential review of applications, nominations and expressions of interest will begin immediately and continue until an appointment is made. Compensation for the position is highly competitive. The DGSOM has a strong commitment to the achievement of excellence and diversity among its faculty and staff. The University of California is an Equal Opportunity/Affirmative Action Employer.

Electronic submission of materials is preferred. Please submit your curriculum vitae to Cody Futch, Vice President of Academic Recruiting at Merritt Hawkins at <a href="mailto:ucla@merritthawkins.com">ucla@merritthawkins.com</a>. Candidate inquiries will be strictly confidential until you have given permission to submit your application to the search committee.

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