

Director of Clinical Research Center and Clinical Faculty Position in Nutrition Science, Purdue University

Director of the Purdue Clinical Research Center and Clinical Associate Professor/Professor

The Position

The Department of Nutrition Science in the College of Health and Human Sciences (HHS) seeks applicants for the position of Director of the Purdue Clinical Research Center (CRC), focused on human/clinical studies. The successful applicant will be appointed as a Clinical Associate or Full Professor. The Purdue CRC is part of the larger Indiana Clinical and Translational Sciences Institute (CTSI; www.purdue.edu/hhs/nutr/crc).

The Purdue CRC is a 7,000-ft² nutrition clinical research facility that provides bionutrition, dietary assessment, and clinical services for the Department, College, campus and CTSI. The CRC includes space, equipment, and staff to support human clinical research studies that align with core interests of the Nutrition Science Department ([Department of Nutrition Science Research - College of Health and Human Sciences \(purdue.edu\)](http://www.purdue.edu/hhs/nutr)), the HHS strategic research areas ([Research - College of Health and Human Sciences \(purdue.edu\)](http://www.purdue.edu/hhs/research)), and priorities of the larger university ([Strategic Initiatives \(purdue.edu\)](http://www.purdue.edu/strategic)). The CRC also coordinates with CTSI resources at the Indiana University School of Medicine. The successful candidate will work with faculty and staff to ensure high-quality services, plan and develop new opportunities, and manage the CRC staff and resources. The CRC Director position is a 12-month (Fiscal Year) appointment.

The candidate will have a strong track record of conducting human/clinical research and will work to increase use of the CRC by University faculty as well as external government-, academic-, and industry-sponsored entities. Opportunities to bring in collaborators from HHS and campus-wide exist in obesity, gerontology, child/adolescent development, women's health, disease prevention, imaging, and biomedical engineering, among others. Opportunities also exist for partnering with the HHS Extension office which offers programs to enhance the well-being of individuals, families and communities in each of Indiana's 92 counties. The primary role will be to administratively direct the CRC as a core facility. This individual is not expected to bring in external funding to support an independent research program as a principal investigator but they are welcome to do so. Additionally, they will have opportunity to be involved in the grant writing process for renewals of CTSI funding and other funding designed to benefit the CRC and larger Department. The successful candidate will also participate in teaching (at a reduced load) and outreach activities consistent with the candidate's area of expertise.

The Department of Nutrition Science at Purdue University

The mission of the Department of Nutrition Science (www.purdue.edu/hhs/nutr) is to conduct the highest caliber nutrition science research, to educate students in a diverse and inclusive environment, and to promote health through engagement with the public. The Department is committed to providing exceptional undergraduate and graduate education and currently has approximately 250 undergraduate students and 30 graduate students. The Department's didactic and coordinated programs in nutrition and dietetics are accredited by the Accreditation Council for Education in Nutrition and Dietetics (ACEND). Opportunities for professional development and collaboration exist within the NIH-supported CTSI (www.indianactsi.org), the Purdue Graduate School (www.gradschool.purdue.edu), the Ingestive Behavior Research Center (www.purdue.edu/dp/ibrc), the Women's Global Health Institute (<https://www.purdue.edu/discoverypark/WGHI/>), the A.H. Ismail Center for Health, Exercise, and Nutrition (<https://hhs.purdue.edu/ismail-center/>), Discovery Park (www.purdue.edu/discoverypark), the Center on Aging and the Life Course (www.purdue.edu/aging), and over 100 other centers at Purdue (www.purdue.edu/research/centers-institutes-cores/list.php). The College of Health and Human Sciences and the Department of Nutrition Science are committed to diversity, equity, inclusion and belonging. Our leadership, faculty, staff, and students are engaged in many efforts that are consistent with this commitment.

Purdue University

Established in 1869, Purdue is Indiana's land-grant university, a comprehensive educational and research institution and member of the American Association of Universities (AAU) and the Equity in Graduate Education Consortium. Purdue is recognized as a Top 10 public university by QS world rankings and is rated the #10 most

recognized university globally by American Caldwell. In addition to the College of Health and Human Sciences, Purdue University's strengths in Agriculture, Education, Engineering, Liberal Arts, Management, Pharmacy, Science, and Veterinary Medicine contribute to a robust research and educational environment. The West Lafayette campus, located one hour north of Indianapolis and two hours south of downtown Chicago, has ten academic colleges with an enrollment of 52,211 students from over 135 countries. Purdue also has cultural and resource centers dedicated to providing support to historically excluded or marginalized populations, including the Asian American and Asian Resource and Cultural Center, the Black Cultural Center, the Latino Cultural Center, the Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, and Queer Center, the Native American Educational and Cultural Center, the Susan Bulkeley Butler Center for Leadership Excellence, and the Center for Faculty Success. The diverse greater Lafayette/West Lafayette community (www.homeofpurdue.com) has a population of approximately 225,000.

Requirements

Applicants must hold a PhD in nutrition science or a closely related field, or a clinical doctorate (MD, DNP, PharmD, etc.). Strong clinical research experience, publication record, and evidence of team-building and successful collaborations as well as resource management are also required. Desirable attributes include excellent communication and interpersonal skills and a demonstrated commitment to advancing the Clinical Research Center with a vision for doing so.

Application Instructions

Interested candidates are asked to submit applications online at <https://careers.purdue.edu/job-invite/30887/> with the following:

1. Cover Letter describing your qualifications and a description of teaching interests and past research experience
2. CV
3. References (three or more; include contact information)

Questions should be directed to the search chair, Dr. Laura Murray-Kolb: lmurrayk@purdue.edu. Application review will begin on May 1, 2024, and continue until the position is filled. A background check will be required for employment in the position.

Purdue University is an EOE/AA employer. All individuals, including minorities, women, individuals with disabilities, and veterans are encouraged to apply.