Head, Department of Kinesiology

James Madison University (JMU) invites applications and nominations for the position of Kinesiology Academic Unit Head. We seek a visionary leader whose breadth embraces the diversity and synergies of the Department's programs and facilities. The ideal candidate possesses excellent interpersonal and organizational skills and a record of promoting an inclusive and collaborative environment.

The Department of Kinesiology is a flourishing academic unit with 14 full-time faculty members, over 600 undergraduate majors and approximately 40 master's level graduate students. The Department of Kinesiology is dedicated to the development of future leaders in professions that maximize the potential of individuals and society through physical activity. Programs in the Department include: Exercise Science and Physical & Health Education Teacher Education. Directors for these programs collaborate closely with the Academic Unit Head. Please see http://jmu.edu/kinesiology/index.html for more details.

JMU is a state-supported university of over 20,000 students. The university is located approximately two hours southwest of Washington D.C. in a continually growing city/county of over 90,000. The Department of Kinesiology is located within the university's College of Health and Behavioral Studies (CHBS) which also includes: Health Sciences, Nursing, Psychology, Graduate Psychology, Communication Sciences and Disorders and Social Work. Please visit http://www.jmu.edu/ for more information about the university.

Requirements for the position include: (1) an earned doctorate appropriate to the position; (2) strong evidence of a collaborative leadership style; (3) a demonstrated record of excellence in teaching in exercise physiology, physical and health education teacher education, exercise psychology or general education; (4) a record of scholarship and service, including service to the discipline and/or professional associations; (5) previous successful administrative experience; (6) an understanding of national accreditation processes and (7) commitment to the department's large contributions to General Education at JMU. The successful candidate will be expected to further the department's educational mission, support and encourage scholarship, foster recruitment and support of high quality students and promote the department within and beyond the university. The position is a 12-month, tenure-track faculty appointment at the Associate/Full Professor rank with a negotiated teaching component and with the possibility of tenure upon initial appointment given appropriate credentials. The Academic Unit Head reports to the Dean of the College of Health and Behavioral Studies (http://chbs.jmu.edu/). The desired starting date is July 1, 2013.

Review of applications will begin January 15, 2013. Applications will be accepted until the position is filled. To apply, submit a letter of application, a statement of administrative leadership philosophy (Other Document #1) and current vita using JMU's electronic application system at https://joblink.jmu.edu, reference posting number 0405011. The names and contact information for three references will be requested at the end of the application. Each reference listed will receive an e-mail requesting that they submit a letter of recommendation through the JobLink system. Salary shall be commensurate with experience.

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