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Position Description
Director, School of Social Work
College of Public Programs

Arizona State University, with a student population of approximately 65,000, invites nominations and applications of an established academic for the position of Director of the School of Social Work, with a term commencing July 1, 2010. The School of Social Work has accredited BSW, MSW, and Ph.D. programs. The School has more than 1,000 students and 37 faculty members. It (ssw.asu.edu) is one of four schools and ten centers in the College of Public Programs (copp.asu.edu). Two of those centers - the Southwest Interdisciplinary Research Center and the Center for Applied Behavioral Health Policy - are directed by Social Work faculty. The School is a leader in the areas of culturally competent practice and health disparities with special expertise in populations of the southwest. It is a vibrant community of active scholars who are committed to excellence in education and is located at the ASU Downtown Phoenix campus, home to 7,500 students.

Under President Michael Crow's leadership, ASU has undergone profound institutional transformation. ASU is pursuing a serious strategy of social embeddedness, has instituted a progressive approach to access and financial aid, and is intent on increasing excellence in all realms. The School of Social Work and the College of Public Programs are important parts of the University's change agenda.

The Director joins the leadership team of the College of Public Programs, has general executive responsibility for all aspects of the School's activities, and is accountable on all matters to the faculty and the Dean of the College of Public Programs. ASU actively seeks diversity among applicants and promotes a diverse workforce.

The Director position requires a doctoral degree in Social Work or a related field. A demonstrated record of excellence in research and teaching; accomplishment and innovation in scholarship, administration, professional work, and community engagement; commitment to diversity and student success are essential. An interest in the Southwest and its many diverse communities is desirable. The successful candidate will be able to work in and be committed to a multicultural academic and community environment.

Desired Qualifications -

A Ph.D. in Social Work or an allied field is required. Present faculty rank of full professor is desirable, although associate professors may also be considered.

The Director's primary responsibility is to create an environment in which:

- a. Faculty hiring, promotion and tenure are carried out at the highest standards of excellence
- b. The curriculum is top-quality, innovative, and responsive to the needs of students and the community
- c. Relationships with the community are vibrant
- d. Budgetary decision-making and execution are driven by principle, consultation, and accountability
- e. Faculty aspirations for additional external funding are fully supported
- f. The academic profile of the School of Social Work at ASU, in the community, in the profession, and nationally is advanced
- g. Academic connections with other units in the College of Public Programs and across the University are encouraged and enhanced

The Director of the School of Social Work is appointed by the Executive Vice President and Provost of Arizona State University, acting upon the recommendation of the School's faculty and the Dean of the College of Public Programs. Salary is commensurate with qualifications.

Applicants must submit a letter of interest, a Curriculum Vitae, and names of three professional references. The application deadline is November 1, 2009, or the 1st of each month thereafter until the position is filled. Please feel free to contact Dean Debra Friedman (debra.friedman@asu.edu) or Search Committee Chair, Dr. Elizabeth Segal (esegal@asu.edu) with any questions.

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For more information about Arizona State University and the School of Social Work, please see <http://ssw.asu.edu>.

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