

Dean Search
College of Veterinary Medicine

University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

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Position Description



The University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign invites nominations and applications for the position of Dean of the College of Veterinary Medicine. The University of Illinois is a major land-grant university committed to excellence in research, teaching and public engagement. The University seeks a visionary leader dedicated to enhancing and strengthening the mission of the College to distinguish itself in biomedical research, veterinary education, and public engagement at the state, national, and international levels. Since 1948, the College has graduated more than 4,300 doctors of veterinary medicine and is one of only 28 accredited schools of veterinary medicine in the United States and the only veterinary college in the state. The College is dedicated to educating veterinary students, graduate and post-graduate students, veterinarians, and the public; discovering, applying, and disseminating comparative biomedical knowledge and technology; improving veterinary practice; and providing outreach to the veterinary medical profession and public.

As the chief academic and executive officer of the College, the Dean has the primary responsibility for faculty and academic professional staff development, budgetary oversight and planning, academic and curricular issues, fundraising, clinical resources, and facilities development. The College comprises three academic departments (Comparative Biosciences, Pathobiology, Veterinary Clinical Medicine) as well as the Center for One Health Illinois, the Chicago Center for Veterinary Medicine, the Diagnostic Laboratory, and the Veterinary Teaching Hospital. On a campus of approximately 43,000 students, the college has approximately 390 FTE faculty and staff and 485 professional and 64 graduate students.

The new Dean will be a dynamic leader who can help build and carry out a collaborative vision for the College that integrates its multiple missions of education, research, clinical practice, and public engagement. Fundraising and growing the endowment for the College is an increasingly important responsibility of the Dean. The new Dean should be a strong advocate for faculty, staff, and students. The Dean will be well positioned to provide key leadership for the new Visioning Future Excellence initiatives on campus, one of which focuses on health and wellness. The Dean will also work at the state and national level to facilitate the generation of solutions for a healthier world in the 21st century.

The ideal candidate will possess:

- outstanding scholarly credentials, including a strong track record of extramurally funded research,
- a demonstrated commitment to research, graduate and professional education, clinical service, public engagement, and equal opportunity,
- experience in strategic planning, change management and organizational development.

Candidates must hold an earned degree of Doctor of Veterinary Medicine (DVM and PhD degrees are preferable) and have a distinguished record of scholarly, research, and teaching accomplishments commensurate with an appointment at the rank of full professor at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign.

The position of Dean of Veterinary Medicine reports to the Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs and Provost and is a senior administrative position with a seat on the Council of Deans. This full-time, 12-month appointment has a negotiable start date. Salary is commensurate with experience.

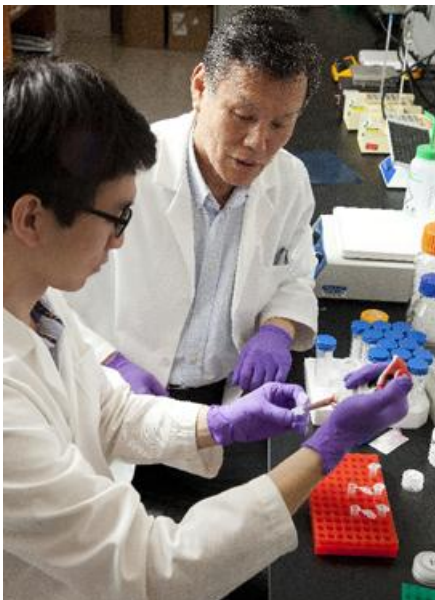




BIOMEDICAL RESEARCH LEADER

As the first and foremost biomedical college on the Urbana-Champaign campus, the College of Veterinary Medicine has an exceptional opportunity to unite, invigorate, and lead campus initiatives in biomedical research and education through:

- Targeted faculty recruitments to augment current or create new research programs.
- An expansion of current research strengths in reproductive biology, toxicology, and virology/infectious diseases.
- Partnership in the new University of Illinois cancer center, contributing basic research as well as clinical application of discoveries.
- Expanding the research portfolio to increase the scope and breadth of the educational/research opportunities for professional and graduate training.



Key Opportunities and Challenges Ahead

During the past six years, the College of Veterinary Medicine has put intensive effort into re-inventing the professional veterinary curriculum and into developing a prominent clinical presence in Chicago. The College has fully implemented a novel and highly regarded integrated curriculum that is a model for the future of veterinary education. At this critical juncture, the College is pursuing an ambitious strategic plan to build on current educational and clinical service achievements and to redouble the focus on research excellence in order to gain recognition among the top tier of veterinary colleges worldwide.

To realize the goal, the future Dean must:

- Be a dynamic and visionary leader, who has outstanding research credentials, including a strong track record of federally funded research, and who will be a strong advocate and facilitator for the faculty to reinvigorate and expand its research portfolio, as well as promote and strengthen basic, translational and clinical research collaborative endeavors on the Urbana campus, in the nation and globally.
- Support and expand professional and graduate programs to better position graduates for high impact biomedical career opportunities, and ensure that the College is the destination of choice for the best and the brightest students.
- Promote creative partnering with alumni, industry, government, and private foundations to further our research and veterinary education goals.
- Promote programmatic initiatives that fulfill the land grant mission by addressing and providing solutions for contemporary societal needs in medicine and related areas.
- Effectively advocate for budget needs in a climate of shrinking resources and identify, develop, and capture new revenue streams and funding sources, including those arising from the support and philanthropy of grateful clients, alumni and other veterinary professionals. The new Dean must promote and nurture a culture of student loyalty and philanthropy.

The College and the wider University of Illinois community provide exceptional opportunities for a new Dean. Illinois is one of the premier public research universities in the country, known for its uniquely multidisciplinary collaborative research environment. This is an ideal environment for building basic, translational and clinical research excellence in veterinary medicine.

College of Veterinary Medicine Overview

The College has successfully implemented ambitious initiatives that distinguish it as a leader in veterinary education and service delivery. A faculty-driven strategic plan outlining new directions was adopted in 2012. Through this process, the faculty affirmed an ongoing commitment to enhancing and strengthening the mission of the College and to achieving distinction in biomedical research, veterinary education, and public engagement at the state, national, and international levels.

The College boasts an expert faculty with diverse and complementary interests. Most faculty are actively engaged in veterinary education and research. There are several NIH-funded research programs, notably in the areas of reproductive biology and toxicology. Other areas of research focus include endocrine disease, oncology, stem cell therapy, and viral, bacterial, and fungal infectious disease. Residency programs encompass most veterinary clinical specialties as well as pharmacologic, pathologic, and toxicologic fields. As part of the flagship campus of the University of Illinois, the veterinary faculty enjoys many opportunities to collaborate with researchers in such biomedical fields as chemistry, nanotechnology, and bioengineering on newly emerging solutions to the world's health problems.

The Chicago Center for Veterinary Medicine, established in 2009, serves as the College's headquarters for clinical service, education, and recruitment in the center of a vibrant metropolitan community. The Chicago offerings include a dog-and-cat primary care clinic, selected veterinary specialties, and outreach to prospective students from backgrounds currently underrepresented in the veterinary profession. The clinical capabilities of the Chicago center expanded to include round-the-clock emergency and critical care service in 2011. The Center's Chicago location holds promise for reaching new fundraising prospects, offering creative faculty recruitment packages, developing public engagement programs that reach a larger audience, and forging research partnerships with scientists at prestigious academic centers.

The University of Illinois recently successfully completed a \$2.25 billion fund-raising campaign, in which the College of Veterinary Medicine greatly exceeded its goal of \$35 million, raising a total of \$51 million. The College has prominent alumni around the world and a strong donor base.



Public engagement represents a significant component of College activity. Most visible are the clinical service centers, the Veterinary Teaching Hospital, the Veterinary Diagnostic Laboratory and its Zoological Pathology Program, and the dog-and-cat clinical services provided through the Chicago Center, as well as the student-run Wildlife Medical Clinic. Together these units provide outstanding diagnostic and treatment for thousands of animals, owners, and referring veterinarians not only from Illinois but beyond. Faculty also provide extensive service to professional organizations and specialty colleges, federal research review boards, college and university governance, and public education venues.

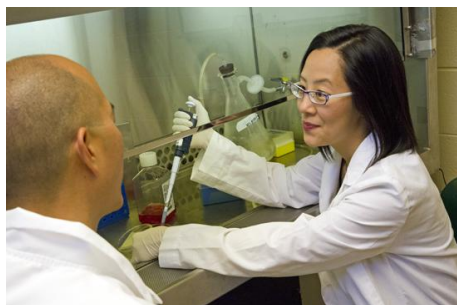


Veterinary Education

A pioneering professional curriculum was introduced in 2009 and has been fully implemented as of fall 2012. The Illinois curriculum puts students into clinical rotations in the first eight weeks of the program and offers expanded clinical opportunities throughout the four years. A series of 17 eight-week core courses deliver basic and clinical science material in an integrated manner designed to foster clinical competence and understanding; a large selection of more in-depth elective courses allows students to pursue individual interests.

An extensive Clinical Skills Learning Center complements coursework to build students' clinical skills throughout the program. Technological support for the curriculum is strong, with lecture capture capabilities and an extensive curriculum software program that assists in curricular evaluation and management. Peer mentoring, career exploration, and pre-graduation capstone experiences are additional features of the curriculum.

The College is also a leader in veterinary continuing education. Its Executive Veterinary Program, a unique, award-winning two-year certificate program, has served as a model for delivering advanced business and management skills for swine and small animal practitioners as well as pork producers. Extensive online and in-person programming extends the expertise of the faculty in a wide range of clinically relevant areas.



RECENT PUBLISHED FINDINGS

- Stem cells derived from normal mouse blood vessels prevented decrease in heart function when transplanted into the hearts of mice that model the pathology associated with Duchenne muscular dystrophy. *Stem Cells Translational Medicine*
- Techniques developed to interrupt the cascade of cellular events that allows *Streptococcus pneumoniae* to acquire antibiotic-resistance genes from other cells may help stop the spread of drug resistance in bacteria. *PLoS ONE*
- Exenatide, used to control blood glucose in people, was shown to affect insulin secretion in cats and showed potential for improving pancreatic β cell function. *Domestic Animal Endocrinology*
- The pox virus myxoma was shown to infect several types of canine cancer cells in culture while sparing healthy cells. *American Journal of Veterinary Research*
- *Chrysosporium*, a fungus not normally seen in the wild, was identified as a new pathogen of importance for eastern massasauga rattlesnakes. *Emerging Infectious Diseases*
- Phthalates, present in many consumer products, was shown to have negative effects on murine ovarian follicles in cell culture. *Biology of Reproduction*

Academic Departments

Comparative Biosciences

Exciting research conducted by department faculty spans endocrine/reproductive biology and toxicology, environmental and ecological toxicology, uterine and placental biology, aortic mesangial stem cells, stem cells for assessment of small molecule and nanoparticle pharmacology and toxicology, nanodisks as platforms for the study of membrane proteins, the impact of environmental and dietary compounds on neurodevelopment, circadian rhythms, immunopharmacology and drug allergy, obesity and diabetes mellitus, cancer chemotherapy, the interplay between infectious agents and contaminants with wildlife populations, and comparative drug disposition and pharmacokinetics. Experimental models range from stem cells to rodent and frog models to domestic animals, wildlife, and human patients.

Faculty are active in delivery of the veterinary curriculum, offering most of the didactic courses in the first year as well as instruction and clinical rotations in pharmacology and toxicology.

The department provides leadership in interdisciplinary training programs on campus, including the NIEHS-funded Environmental Toxicology Training Program, the Interdisciplinary Environmental Toxicology Training Program, the Reproductive Biology Program, the Neuroscience Program, the Division of Nutritional Sciences, and the Institute for Genomic Biology. Two clinical residency programs—in veterinary clinical pharmacology and veterinary clinical toxicology—are offered, and the department provides consultation for cases in the veterinary hospital and diagnostic laboratory related to pharmacology and toxicology.

Pathobiology

The department encompasses the disciplines of Epidemiology and Preventive Medicine, Microbiology and Immunology, Parasitology, and Comparative Pathology. Areas of research emphasis range from programs addressing viral infections, especially the PRRS virus; bacterial infections, such as pseudomonas; and fungal pathogens, particularly candidas; to programs that study the epidemiology of infectious disease at spatial and temporal level using geographic information science. Faculty associated with the Zoological Pathology Program in Chicago engage in prolific publication on topics related to wildlife disease and mortality.

The department participates in both the basic science and clinical portions of the veterinary curriculum, with chief responsibility for the second-year core course delivery. A strong graduate program offers PhD and master's degrees singly or in conjunction with a professional degree (MD or DVM) or pathology residency. Continuing education courses, in such areas as molecular biology and industrial toxicology and pathology, are also offered. Many faculty have a strong service commitment in the College's diagnostic laboratory.



Center for One Health Illinois

Established in 2010 the Center for One Health Illinois allows the college's expertise in environmental health, conservation medicine, and infectious diseases to inform public policy and improve public health.

The Center was founded on the philosophy of "one health," which recognizes the interdependence of the health and well-being of the human population, wild and domestic animals, and the natural environment.

It conducts research, training, and outreach efforts in three related areas:

- improving preparedness and response to natural and intentional exposures of biological, chemical, and physical agents; ensuring safe and sustainable food production systems
- understanding disease processes that occur at the interface of human and animal activities and their effects on the environment; and
- educating health professionals who understand factors for human, animal and ecosystem health and who understand how public health policy affects human, animal and ecosystem health.

Veterinary Clinical Medicine

The department is organized into five sections through which to deliver excellence in clinical service, instruction, and research: Companion & Zoological Medicine, Equine Medicine & Surgery, Small Animal Surgery (includes dentistry and neurology), Specialty Medicine (anesthesiology, dermatology, imaging, oncology, and ophthalmology), and Rural Animal Health Management.

Most faculty members have significant clinical service commitments. The department participates in all core courses of the veterinary curriculum and teaches the majority of elective courses. Departmental graduate students are focused in combined residency-master's degree training programs. Faculty also teach advanced professional development courses, including Executive Veterinary Programs in swine/pork production, imaging/ultrasonography, and small animal health management. Service to the profession includes extensive publication and presentations at national and international meetings as well as leadership roles in veterinary specialty colleges and societies.

The department is very active in funded research projects in areas reflecting the faculty's diverse interests. Research collaborations link the department with partners in Chemistry, Material Sciences and Engineering, Molecular and Cellular Biology, Animal Sciences, Human Medicine and Surgery, Imaging, and other areas.

Service Units

Chicago Center for Veterinary Medicine

The Chicago Center acts as an umbrella organization for teaching, research, and public engagement initiatives in the Chicago area. Located in the Illinois Medical District, two miles west of the Loop and convenient to a major expressway, the Center currently houses a primary care clinic, 24-hour emergency and critical care service added in 2011, and selected veterinary specialties (surgery, internal medicine, oncology, dentistry, and behavior) for dogs and cats. The primary care clinic gained AAHA accreditation shortly after opening in 2009.

Veterinary students in all four years of the program engage in clinical rotations here to experience primary care and practice management in a state-of-the-art urban small animal practice.

The Center has successfully partnered with Chicago primary and secondary schools and colleges to raise awareness of veterinary careers/education in students from backgrounds underrepresented in the veterinary profession. Student outreach has included a long-time mentoring program at the Anti-Cruelty Society; career talks and science programs based in schools; and opportunities for students to intern and job shadow at the clinic.



COLLEGE OF VETERINARY MEDICINE BY THE NUMBERS

Veterinary student enrollment:
485

Faculty FTE by rank:

Instructor	10.35
Clinical Faculty	27.13
Tenure Faculty	51.51

**Interns, residents and graduate
students enrolled by department:**

Comparative Biosciences:	10
Pathobiology:	25
Veterinary Clinical Medicine:	48

**Animal patient visits in FY12 at
Urbana and Chicago clinics:**
27,373

**Animals brought to the student-
run Wildlife Medical Clinic in
2012:**
1,571

**Veterinary scholarship funds
awarded in AY12:**
\$580,000 to 168 students

**Participants in public engage-
ment/C.E. programs in 2012:**
2,357

Veterinary Diagnostic Laboratory

This full-service, all-species diagnostic laboratory is devoted to serving veterinarians and their clientele using the latest technology and research findings. It also supports the research community of the College and university with laboratory services.

The laboratory's faculty and staff are discipline specialists and include pathologists, clinical pathologists, histotechnologists, microbiologists, virologists, immunologists, parasitologists, and serologists. Many also have one or more particular species and/or organ specialties to offer a well-rounded approach to diagnostic medicine with considerable depth. Frequent in-laboratory consulting on cases is offered to provide the best possible diagnostic service.

The laboratory plays a vital role in the education of graduate students and veterinary students. The laboratory's Chicago-based Zoological Pathology Program offers a highly respected residency program that provides residents with hands-on experience in a wide diversity of species, seeing specimens both in Urbana and Chicago.

Veterinary Teaching Hospital

This full-service animal hospital offers diagnosis and treatment for horses, farm animals, and companion animals, including exotic pets. The hospital provides state-of-the-art and compassionate care for patients, provides exceptional service to animal owners and referring veterinarians, and provides a clinical environment that supports, engages, and advances the teaching and research activities of the college.

The 230,000 sq. ft. facility constructed in the 1970s consists of two wings devoted to large and small animal care. On-farm animal care is provided through an ambulatory service. Inpatient caseload averages around 23,000 per year, primarily canine. The hospital is accredited by the American Animal Hospital Association. The hospital also houses a full-service licensed veterinary pharmacy, research laboratories, a clinical pathology laboratory, faculty, resident and administrative offices, a surgical instruction laboratory, and a student-run wildlife treatment ward. The hospital employs approximately 130 staff members, primarily certified veterinary technicians and support staff.

The University of Illinois

The University of Illinois is one of the original 37 public land-grant institutions created within 10 years of the signing of the Morrill Act by Abraham Lincoln in 1862. It was chartered in 1867 and welcomed its first class in 1868. The University of Illinois has been the catalyst for many advances in science, technology, and the arts. True to its core missions of excellence in teaching, research, public service, and economic development, the university is a leader in discoveries that improve the health, living conditions, learning environments, safety, and security for all citizens of Illinois and beyond.

The University has campuses in Urbana-Champaign, Chicago, and Springfield. The Urbana-Champaign campus, the largest of the three, is located on 1,458 acres in the twin cities of Champaign and Urbana. The twin cities' combined population is over 122,000. It is a diverse community with African-Americans representing 15 percent of the population, followed by Asians at 10 percent, and Hispanics at 6 percent. The University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign is known for its distinguished faculty, outstanding resources, and variety of academic programs. The campus is home to world-class engineering and computer science departments, faculties dedicated to the arts and humanities, highly ranked professional schools, and one of the world's great libraries. As its reputation grows, its extensive international partnerships are expanding, creating more and more opportunities for Illinois students and faculty to work with renowned colleagues around the world. In terms of athletics, the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign is a charter member of the Big Ten Conference. The Fighting Illini compete in Division I of the NCAA. The Division of Intercollegiate Athletics supports nine intercollegiate sports for men and eleven for women.

Across all three campuses, there is a total enrollment of approximately 65,000. There are 5,537 full-time faculty and over 7,000 administrative and professional staff. The University's operating budget is approximately \$4.1 billion. There are more than 600,000 alumni, the largest alumni community in the world.



Robert A. Easter became the University's 19th President on July 1, 2012. Dr. Easter has spent his entire 36-year career as a senior administrator and faculty member on the Urbana-Champaign campus, where he earned his Doctorate in Animal Sciences in 1976. He was Interim Chancellor from 2009-2011.

Dr. Easter is committed to helping the University be better recognized for its outstanding accomplishments.

The University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

Founded in 1867, the Urbana-Champaign campus is a major comprehensive land-grant institution whose mission is to provide strong undergraduate and graduate education programs, undertake basic, translational, and applied research, and support outreach, extension, continuing education, and other public engagement activities to multiple communities.

The campus is led by Phyllis M. Wise. As Chancellor and Vice President, Dr. Wise is the chief executive officer for the Urbana-Champaign campus and is responsible for all financial programs, campus policies, and priorities with the mission of ensuring a transformative educational experience for America's next generation of leaders.



The campus community includes approximately 32,000 undergraduate students, 12,000 graduate and professional students, 2,000 tenured/tenure-track faculty members, 3,800 academic professionals, and 4,200 staff members.



I L L I N O I S



International Preeminence in Computing

A world leader in supercomputing design and applications, the campus is home to the National Center for Supercomputing Applications (NCSA), developer of the internet browser Mosaic™, which revolutionized the use of the World Wide Web. The Blue Waters project – of Illinois, NCSA, Cray, and the Great Lakes Consortium for Petascale Computation – is planned to be the world's most powerful supercomputer for open scientific research when it comes online this year. NCSA also has extensive tools and expertise in data-intensive computing. Faculty and students have access to all major internet networks as well as to over 3,500 computer terminals in classrooms, residence halls, and campus libraries and extensive wireless connectivity.



The University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

Financial Overview

Current campus expenditures are approximately \$1.8B per year. Of this total, sponsored research project awards account for about \$639M; tuition and state support are about \$500M and \$250M, respectively. According to the NSF, the campus ranked first in NSF funding and seventh in total R&D expenditures among universities without medical schools in 2010.

National Stature

The University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign is a member of the Committee on Institutional Cooperation (CIC), which is governed by the Provosts of the member universities. CIC member universities contribute expertise, resources, and intellectual capital to leverage their collective strengths for innovation and impact. Collaboration is an important feature of the campus. Through the CIC, peers at all levels of the enterprise work together to solve problems through collaboration. The University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign is also a member of the Association of Public and Land-grant Universities and the Association of American Universities.

A Leader in Cross-disciplinary Research

The campus is a world leader in cross-disciplinary research, with path-breaking interdisciplinary endeavors under way in and across every major academic unit on the campus.

Examples of the campus' commitment to such study include:

- the Beckman Institute for Advanced Science and Technology, where 12 research groups from 30 University departments work within and across three broadly defined themes: biological intelligence; human computer interaction; and molecular and electronic nanostructures involving collaboration among social scientists, behavioral scientists, humanists, engineers, life scientists, and physical scientists;
- the Institute for Genomic Biology that houses up to 400 researchers in three broad program areas (systems biology; cellular and metabolic engineering; and genome technology); and
- the Energy Biosciences Institute, a unique collaboration among the Urbana-Champaign campus, the University of California, Berkeley, the Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory, and British Petroleum, which is supporting the Institute with a 10-year \$500 million contract.

The Urbana-Champaign campus also hosts six Department of Education Title VI area study centers that bring together scholars from various disciplines to collaborate on challenges around the globe: Russian, East European, and Eurasians Center; Center for Latin American and Caribbean Studies; Center for East Asian and Pacific Studies; Center for Global Studies; European Union Center; and the Center for International Business Education and Research.



Comprehensive Programs

Approximately 32,000 undergraduate students are enrolled in nine undergraduate divisions, which together offer over 5,000 courses in more than 150 fields of study.

Divisions enrolling undergraduate majors include the College of Agricultural, Consumer and Environmental Sciences; College of Applied Health Sciences; College of Business; College of Education; College of Engineering; College of Fine and Applied Arts; College of Liberal Arts and Sciences; College of Media; and School of Social Work. Undergraduate admission is highly selective: in the 2012 freshman class, the average ACT composite for entering students was 28.4, and the average high school percentile rank was 87.8.

The campus enrolls over 12,000 graduate and professional students in more than 100 programs, and is among the top eight universities in the number of earned doctorates awarded annually in the United States. In addition to the units granting undergraduate degrees, the following offer programs leading to graduate or professional degrees: the Graduate School of Library and Information Science; the School for Labor and Employment Relations; the College of Law; and the College of Veterinary Medicine.

A World-Class Faculty, Distinguished Students, and Alumni

Among the campus' most significant resources is its talented and highly respected faculty. Many are recognized for their exceptional scholarship, with memberships in the American Association for the Advancement of Science, American Academy of Arts and Letters, American Academy of Arts and Sciences, the National Academy of Sciences, and the National Academy of Engineering.

Within the past 10 years, faculty members at the University have received Nobel Prizes, Pulitzer Prizes, MacArthur Fellowships, Guggenheim Fellowships, Fulbright Awards, the Crafoord Prize in Biosciences, the Japan Prize, the National Book Award, the National Medal of Science, the National Medal of Technology, and Presidential Early Career Awards for Scientists and Engineers, as well as awards from the National Endowment for the Humanities, the National Academy of Education, and the Alfred P. Sloan Foundation.

Another prime indicator of the University's excellence is the success of its alumni, including 11 Noble laureates, 17 winners of the Pulitzer Prize, and 158 Guggenheim Fellows. Each year, students from the Urbana-Champaign campus receive some of the world's most prestigious scholarships, including Rhodes, Truman, Marshall, Gates, Goldwater, Churchill, Luce, and Fulbright Scholarships.

The Arts and Major Facilities

A major center for the arts, the campus attracts dozens of nationally and internationally renowned artists each year to its acclaimed Krannert Center for the Performing Arts. Designed by alumnus Max Abramovitz, an architect of New York City's Lincoln Center, the facility has four indoor theaters and an outdoor amphitheater and hosts more than 350 performances each year. The University also supports two major museums: the Krannert Art Museum and Kinkead Pavilion, second in size only to the Art Institute of Chicago among Illinois public art museums, with over 9,000 works of art in its permanent collection; and the Spurlock Museum, a museum of world history and culture, which holds approximately 46,000 artifacts from diverse cultures and time periods. Japan House provides an academic, cultural, and natural setting for promoting an appreciation of Japanese culture and related Asian cultural concepts.

Other major facilities include the multipurpose Assembly Hall, which hosts concerts, convocations, theater productions, and sporting events; Memorial Stadium, site of Big Ten Conference football games; and the Activities and Recreation Center, among the largest university recreational facilities. The campus is also home to Illinois Public Media, a not-for-profit, award-winning public media service dedicated to educate, entertain, inspire and empower audiences by providing the best of public radio and television programs, producing local content for broadcast and the Web while working with community partners to address needs and concerns.



World-Class Library

Holding the second largest collection among North America's academic research libraries, the University Library counts more than 14 million volumes and more than 24 million items. More than one million patrons from around the world access the online catalog each week. Its world-renowned holdings include not only one of the greatest rare book and special collections (Gutenberg Bible, Shakespeare folios, Spanish Golden Age, emblem books, Audubon elephant folio, and Sousa manuscripts are only a few examples), but also leading collections of Slavic and Latin American materials; music recordings and scores; legal history; agricultural, physical, and engineering sciences; and unique archival material, including functioning circuitry associated with the Urbana-Champaign campus' role as the birthplace of electronic music. The Library is home to the Mortenson Center for International Library Programs, whose mission is to strengthen international ties among libraries and librarians worldwide. More than 900 librarians from more than 90 countries have participated in its professional development programs, the only one of its kind in the world. The University Library is the only major research library of this scope and magnitude to stress public service and global access.

The Prairie Research Center (formerly the Institute of Natural Resource Sustainability) encompasses the Illinois Natural History Survey, Illinois State Geological Survey, Illinois State Water Survey, and Illinois Sustainable Technology Center.

In addition, the campus is home to the Center for Advanced Study, which supports excellence in scholarship across all disciplines, and the Illinois Program for Research in the Humanities, which fosters collaboration in the humanities.

International Presence

The University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign is a recognized leader in international education, research and engagement. The international student enrollment of 8,057 (2011/12) is the highest in the country of all public colleges and universities. With 1,939 students studying abroad in 2009/10, the campus ranked 19th in the country in overall numbers, and 11th for long-term study abroad. In 2009/10, it was the largest source of outgoing Fulbright Scholars in the United States, and in 2010/11, it ranked among the top five Fulbright Student producers among public institutions. In 2008, Illinois was recognized for its international achievements with the prestigious Senator Paul Simon Award for Campus Internationalization, awarded annually by NAFSA: Association of International Educators.

Research Park

The Research Park at the University of Illinois provides an environment where technology-based businesses can work with faculty and students to take advantage of opportunities for collaborative research and easy access to University labs, equipment and services. Located on campus, the Research Park is a thriving technology community of more than 90 companies that employ 1,400 people in high-technology careers. Publicly traded firms in the Research Park include: ADM, Abbott Laboratories, Caterpillar, Deere & Company, Eastman Chemical, Littelfuse, Riverbed, SAIC, Sony, State Farm, and Yahoo. The Research Park is also home to 50 startup companies that are commercializing technology. The Research Park at the University of Illinois was honored as the 2011 Outstanding Research Park by the Association of University Research Parks, which represents more than 700 research and science parks worldwide. In 2010, it was named by Forbes.com as one of the "ten technology incubators that are changing the world."

Notable Recent Achievements and Activities of the Campus

U.S. News & World Report's America's Best Colleges (2013) rated the Urbana-Champaign campus as the number 13 public university and the number 46 national university. There are 14 programs ranked in the top 10 by *U.S. News and World Report* in its assessment of undergraduate business and engineering programs. These are national graduate and undergraduate rankings from the 2012 *U.S. News & World Report*:

- The Graduate School of Library and Information Science's program is tied for 1st
- The College of Engineering is ranked 5th in both undergraduate and graduate programs
- The College of Business is ranked 14th in undergraduate programs
- The College of Education is ranked 22nd in graduate programs
- The School of Social Work is ranked 16th
- The Ph.D. Chemistry program is ranked 6th in graduate programs
- The Ph.D. Computer Science program is ranked 5th (tie)

In the 2011 U.S. News and World Report assessment of graduate education, 41 colleges, departments, and programs were ranked in the top 10. *Diverse Issues in Higher Education* ranked the Urbana-Champaign campus 16th overall in total minority PhDs granted, with two programs in the top 10.

The National Science Foundation ranks the Urbana-Champaign campus 4th nationally in the number of doctoral degrees awarded in science and engineering disciplines.

Open Doors ranks the Urbana-Champaign campus second (first among public universities) in the number of international students and 13th in the nations "top 20 Doctoral/Research Institution" for total number of study abroad students.

In 2011, *The Times Higher Education World University Rankings* listed the Urbana-Champaign campus as 31st in the world, 8th among American public universities.

The *Wall Street Journal* ranks the Urbana-Champaign campus 3rd nationally (September, 2010) in terms of quality of undergraduates, as reported by corporate recruiters.

In 2011, the Institute for Higher Education at Shanghai Jiao Tong University ranked Illinois as the 25th best university in the world and the 19th best university in America.

The Academic Ranking of World Universities ranks the University of Illinois as 25th in the World (2010); 4th World rank in Engineering/Technology and Computer Sciences (2010); 18th World rank in Life and Agriculture Sciences (2010); 23rd World rank in Natural Sciences and Mathematics (2010).

New Mobility magazine ranks the campus first among "disability-friendly colleges" in America.

Diverse magazine ranked the Urbana-Champaign campus in its 2011 Top 100 Doctoral Degree Producers and in its 2011 Top Baccalaureate Degree Producers.





Nomination and Application Process

For full consideration, nominations and/or application materials should be received by March 1, 2013.

Nominations should include the name, current position, and a brief description of qualifications and experience for the position and should be sent to:

Tanya Gallagher
Dean of the College of Applied
Health Sciences and
Chair of the Search Committee
provostsearches@illinois.edu

Application materials should include a letter outlining qualifications, a current curriculum vitae, contact information, and names of three references. Candidates may create a profile through <https://jobs.illinois.edu> or submit materials directly to:

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Search Committee

- [Tanya Gallagher](#), Chair, Applied Health Sciences
- [Indrani Bagchi](#), Professor, Comparative Biosciences
- [Anne Barger](#), Clinical Associate Professor, Pathobiology
- [Clyde Dunphy](#), Practicing Veterinarian, Capitol Illini Veterinary Service
- [Timothy Fan](#), Associate Professor, Veterinary Clinical Medicine
- Anna Lee Fenger, Assistant Dean for Administration, College of Veterinary Medicine
- [Jodi Flaws](#), Professor, Comparative Biosciences
- [Richard Fredrickson](#), Clinical Associate Professor and Director, Veterinary Diagnostic Lab
- [Thomas Graves](#), Professor, Veterinary Clinical Medicine and Director, Chicago Center for Veterinary Medicine
- [Ralph Hamor](#), Clinical Professor, Veterinary Clinical Medicine
- [Mark Kuhlenschmidt](#), Interim Department Head and Professor, Pathobiology
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