Head of Department of Statistics

The College of Science at Purdue University invites nominations and applications for a fiscal year, 12 month appointment as the Head of the Department of Statistics. The department seeks a dynamic research leader and innovative educator with creative vision and an outstanding record of achievement, ready to strengthen a key department and build cross-campus linkages in data science and other core statistical areas. The Head will work with departmental colleagues and College leadership to build and realize a compelling research vision for the future of the department, and to accelerate the rapid and substantive advancement of its research focus and graduate and undergraduate programs.

Qualifications: The successful candidate will have an exemplary record of scholarly research and teaching achievement, along with outstanding leadership potential. It is expected that candidates for this position will have an earned doctorate in statistics or a related field and a level of stature in the field sufficient at a minimum to merit appointment with tenure at the rank of Professor in a leading department. Highly desirable qualities include an understanding of the current needs and future direction of statistics and related areas as an academic discipline, a commitment to diversity and collaboration, and skills in academic leadership, student relations, mentoring, and alumni relations.

Statistics is part of the College of Science, which comprises the computing, physical, and life sciences at Purdue. It is the second-largest college at Purdue, with over 350 faculty and more than 6000 students. Purdue itself is one of the nation's leading land-grant universities, with an enrollment of over 52,000 students primarily focused on STEM subjects. For more information, see https://www.purdue.edu/purduemoves/initiatives/stem/index.php.

Application Procedure: Confidential nominations and inquiries can be sent to head-search@purdue.edu. Applications need to be submitted to (Application Link) and need to include (1) a letter of application articulating a vision for the future of statistics and a vision for the department that shall include, among other things, the research and teaching aspects. (2) a statement of research, and (3) a complete curriculum vitae with names and email addresses of at least five references. Applications and nominations will be held in strict confidence; review of the applications will begin on January 24, 2024, and continue until the position is filled.

A background check will be required for employment in this position.

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