Chair of the Department of Biostatistics

The University of Nebraska Medical Center (UNMC) College of Public Health is seeking outstanding candidates for the next Chair of the Department of Biostatistics.

RESPONSIBILITIES
The Chair is responsible for leading the department including developing new programs, strengthening existing programs, expanding the statistical methodology profile of the department, and growing collaborative relationships. The chair also oversees the department budget, coordinates teaching assignments, and evaluates and mentors department faculty and staff. This position is a 12-month appointment with administrative, teaching, research, and service responsibilities.

QUALIFICATIONS
A Ph.D. degree in biostatistics or statistics is required. The candidate should also have a record of accomplishment of collaborative research and peer-reviewed publications, demonstrated ability to obtain extramural funding for research, and track record of effective teaching and student mentoring as would be expected for the rank of full professor. The chair is expected to have effective interpersonal and communication skills, leadership and management experience, faculty mentorship experience, and a strong track record of collaborative and/or statistical methodology work. Experience managing a biostatistics consulting service, developing and implementing biostatistics academic programs, and directing extramurally funded research will be considered positively.

UNMC DEPARTMENT OF BIOSTATISTICS
The Department of Biostatistics is one of the 5 academic departments in the UNMC College of Public Health. The Department serves as the portal for the UNMC campus to access statistical support through the Center for Collaboration on Research Design and Analysis (CCORDA). The department offers an MPH concentration in Biostatistics and a PhD. The department includes 7 faculty members and 6 master's trained statisticians, with a wide variety of research interests and expertise.

UNMC provides exciting opportunities for collaboration and growth for the Department of Biostatistics, as the UNMC research enterprise continues to grow in many areas. Cross-campus collaboration opportunities include cancer research, neuroAIDS, neurology, rheumatoid arthritis, and pulmonary disease among others. The department is a shared resource of the Fred & Pamela Buffet Cancer Center (https://www.unmc.edu/cancercenter/), and biostatistics core for the NIGMS-funded Great Plains IDeA-CTR, NIH-funded pancreatic SPORE, and for the neighboring Boys Town National Research Hospital Center for Communication Disorders. The new Interprofessional Experiential Center for Enduring Learning will help us take biostatistics education to a new level. (https://www.unmc.edu/iexcel/)

For more information about the department (including its mission and vision statements), visit: https://www.unmc.edu/publichealth/departments/biostatistics/

About UNMC and the College of Public Health
A vital enterprise in the nation's heartland, the UNMC has its eye on improving the future of health care in Nebraska and beyond. As Nebraska’s only public academic health sciences center, UNMC is committed to the education of a 21st century health care work force, to finding cures and treatments
for devastating diseases, to providing the best care for patients, and to serving our state and its communities through award-winning outreach. UNMC also is committed to embracing the richness of diversity, and is a major economic engine for the state of Nebraska. The UNMC consists of seven colleges (Colleges of Medicine, Nursing, Pharmacy, Dentistry, Allied Health Professions, Graduate Studies as well as Public Health). UNMC also has four affiliated institutes: Eppley Cancer Research Institute, NIH-designated Munroe Meyer Institute for Genetics and Developmental Disabilities, the Pediatric Research Institute, and the National Strategic Research Institute. UNMC as a whole includes over 1200 faculty and about 3,700 students in more than two dozen programs.

Founded in 2007 and first accredited by the Council on Education for Public Health (CEPH) in 2011, the UNMC College of Public Health offers a wide range of programs and degrees such as certificate programs, the Master of Public Health, the Master of Science, and the doctor of philosophy to provide students with a comprehensive, well-rounded education in public health. The college also offers dual degree programs with other colleges at the University of Nebraska (e.g., MD/MPH, MBA/MPH, PharmD/MPH). The 62,600 square foot, $15 million Harold M. and Beverly Maurer Center for Public Health was opened in 2011 and is home to the UNMC College of Public Health.

How to apply:
To apply for this position, visit: [http://unmc.peopleadmin.com/postings/34633](http://unmc.peopleadmin.com/postings/34633). Only online applications will be accepted. Interested applicants should submit a current CV, letter of interest, and 3 references. The letter should highlight the candidate's vision for the department, his/her experience and philosophy of leadership, administration, and mentoring and outline the candidate's research and teaching interests and how these fit with the department. Salary will be commensurate with the candidate's qualifications and experience. Review of applications will begin immediately and continue until the position is filled.

***UNMC is an Equal Opportunity/Affirmative Action Employer. Individuals from diverse backgrounds are encouraged to apply.***

Inquiries regarding this position should be directed to the chair of the search committee, Dr. Li-Wu Chen at liwuchen@unmc.edu.

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