Nominations and applications are invited for the position of Head of the Department of Psychological Sciences, College of Health and Human Sciences, Purdue University. The Head will be an internationally-recognized academic scholar providing leadership and vision, and will facilitate departmental research, scholarship, and educational activities. In addition, the Head is responsible for the fiscal management of the Department, personnel issues, faculty/staff development, alumni relations, and advocacy for the Department to the College, University, and larger community.

The Department of Psychological Sciences (https://www.purdue.edu/hhs/psy/) is consistently ranked among the top psychology programs in the world. The Department is collegial and diverse comprising over 50 tenured/tenure-track, clinical, and research faculty, over 60 graduate students, and over 900 undergraduate students. Research and doctoral training are conducted in the areas of Clinical Psychology (APA and PCSAS-accredited), Cognitive Psychology, Industrial and Organizational Psychology, Mathematical and Computational Psychology, Neuroscience and Behavior, and Social Psychology. Faculty in Psychological Sciences are also involved in a wide range of cross-campus initiatives, including Advanced Methods at Purdue, the Purdue Acceptance and Inclusion Consortium, Purdue Autism Research Center, and Purdue Institute for Integrative Neuroscience. The Department awards Bachelors, Masters, and PhD degrees.

The Department of Psychological Sciences is the largest Department in the College of Health and Human Sciences (http://www.purdue.edu/hhs/), the second largest college at Purdue. The College brings together scholars in the health sciences and human sciences to strategically address issues vital to enhancing people’s health and quality of life and to understanding human behavior. The College provides a multidisciplinary learning environment that uniquely prepares students to contribute to improved human health and behavior and to serve as leaders in their disciplines. The College also provides a rich environment for world-changing research and discovery. Purdue University facilitates the translation of these discoveries from theory to application, benefiting not only those in Indiana but society as a whole.

Established in 1869, Purdue is Indiana’s land-grant university, a comprehensive educational and research institution and member of the American Association of Universities (AAU). In addition to the College of Health and Human Sciences, Purdue University’s strengths in, Agriculture, Education, Engineering, Liberal Arts, Management, Pharmacy, Science, and Veterinary Medicine contribute to a robust research and educational environment. The West Lafayette campus, located one hour north of Indianapolis and two hours south of downtown Chicago, has ten academic colleges with an enrollment of 44,500 students from over 133 countries. The diverse greater Lafayette/West Lafayette community (http://www.homeofpurdue.com/) has a population of approximately 200,000, and a low cost of living.

Position requirements and timeline

Applicants must have scholarly credentials commensurate with the rank of Tenured Full Professor, including a PhD in Psychological Sciences or related field. Desirable attributes include a strong record of published research and external funding, prior experience in academic administration and undergraduate and graduate education, excellent communication skills, and a commitment to the development and advancement of individual faculty, staff, and students, and the Department as a whole. This position is a full-time, 12 month, tenured position.
A confidential review of applications will begin on February 28, 2020 and will continue until the position is filled. Purdue University’s Department of Psychological Sciences is committed to advancing diversity in all areas of faculty effort including discovery, instruction, and engagement. Candidates should address at least one of these areas in their cover letter, indicating their past experiences, current interests or activities and/or future goals to promote a climate that values diversity and inclusion. Applicants should include (1) a letter of interest indicating leadership philosophy and relevant research and administrative experience, (2) a full curriculum vitae, (3) a statement of commitment to diversity and inclusion that highlights past experiences, current interests or activities, and/or future goals to promote a departmental climate that values diversity and inclusion. Applications should be submitted at https://career8.successfactors.com/sfcareer/jobreqcareer?jobId=9492&company=purdueuniv&username=. Nominations and questions regarding the position or the application process may be directed to Ms. Stephanie Ferguson, Executive Recruiter, Purdue University Human Resources, at fergus52@purdue.edu. 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.