Dean, Temerty Faculty of Medicine

The University of Toronto invites nominations and applications for the position of Dean, Temerty Faculty of Medicine.

The Temerty Faculty of Medicine – Canada’s top medical faculty ranked 5th in the world in 2022 for clinical medicine and health education – has a deep history of global leadership in ground-breaking research and innovation, attracting powerhouse scientists, preparing expert physicians, rehabilitation professionals and researchers, and access to one of the most diverse populations in the world. In August 2023, U of T was ranked the second most prolific health sciences research university in the world, owing to its strong performance in health sciences research.

Home to over 10,000 faculty and staff, 8,200 learners, 1,600 principal investigators who conducted $916 million in research last year, and home to 19 Canada Research Chairs, the Faculty’s impact in medical education and life-changing health research is represented across its 26 departments and 25 research centres and institutes, where research on infectious diseases, chronic health challenges, health equity, Indigenous health, and other areas is conducted in an interdisciplinary environment. Temerty Medicine is a major partner within the Toronto Academic Health Science Network (TAHSN), one of North America’s largest, most productive biomedical research, education and clinical networks, comprised of 14 full and associate affiliate teaching hospitals, and dozens of community-affiliated hospitals and clinical care sites in the Greater Toronto Area and beyond. For more information about the Temerty Faculty of Medicine, visit www.temertymedicine.utoronto.ca.

Reporting to the Vice-President and Provost of the University of Toronto, the Dean will lead all the Faculty’s operations, including fostering an environment in which world-class research and excellence in teaching and engaged scholarship flourish, and where students, faculty, and staff thrive.

The successful candidate will be a respected academic leader with an MD and, as an asset, an advanced research-based degree. A clinician, teacher, and researcher, the Dean will have a significant profile in the national and international medical and health sciences communities. They will possess an exemplary record of academic administration at a comparable research-intensive institution, including successfully managing human, financial and physical infrastructure resources, as well as vision and expertise in promoting intra- and extramural scientific enquiry and advancing the Faculty’s impact in teaching, scholarship and clinical practice. The Dean will inspire intellectual curiosity and creativity, bring an appreciation for the diversity and complexity of disciplines within the Faculty, enhance the student experience, and maximize opportunities for interdisciplinary collaboration between programs, units, and Faculties across U of T’s tri-campus system. They will bring a significant track record of leadership that demonstrates their commitment to advancing Indigeneity, diversity, equity, and inclusion; be a respectful, collegial leader who will empower and motivate faculty, staff, and students; and possess the presence and confidence to play a pivotal leadership role within U of T and the external community.

The new Dean takes office in January 2024 or as mutually agreed, with consideration of candidates beginning September 2023. Inquiries and/or applications by way of a curriculum vitae and letter of interest should be submitted, in confidence, to Julia Robarts, Andrea Patrick and Nick Ketley at uoftmedicine@odgersberndtson.com.
The University of Toronto (U of T) is consistently ranked among the world’s top 20 universities, distinguished by an extraordinary depth and breadth of excellence in teaching, research, innovation and entrepreneurship, which drives economic growth and promotes social wellbeing around the globe. The University encompasses 18 Faculties and Schools, more than 100 departments, and 170 research centres and institutes. Its teaching programs are delivered on the historic St. George campus in the heart of Toronto, on campuses in Mississauga and Scarborough, and in nine fully affiliated teaching hospitals. With approximately 25,000 faculty, librarians, and staff, over 97,000 students, and an annual operating budget exceeding $3.23 billion, the University contributes $15.7 billion to the Canadian economy each year. Alumni include many thousands of distinguished researchers, teachers, creative artists, prominent federal, provincial, and municipal politicians, global business leaders, and eminent philanthropists. The University has identified reinventing undergraduate education, deepening international partnerships, and leveraging the University’s location in the Greater Toronto Area – one of the world’s most culturally diverse urban regions – as its top three strategic priorities.

The University of Toronto embraces diversity and is building a culture of belonging that increases our capacity to effectively address and serve the interests of our global community. We strongly encourage applications from Indigenous Peoples, Black and racialized persons, women, persons with disabilities, and people of diverse sexual and gender identities. We value applicants who have demonstrated a commitment to equity, diversity and inclusion and recognize that diverse perspectives, experiences, and expertise are essential to strengthening our academic mission.

All qualified candidates are encouraged to apply, but applications from Canadians and permanent residents will be given priority. In accordance with the AODA Act, accommodation will be provided to individuals with disabilities throughout the recruitment process.