

Associate Dean and Director of Academic Programs in Agriculture

Responsibilities: The Director is responsible for articulating a clear, ambitious vision to students, faculty/administration, and stakeholders regarding academic programs within the College of Agriculture, including a vision on building a diverse and inclusive student body and faculty/staff population. The successful candidate will encourage and facilitate the creation of innovative learning environments to provide a world-class experience for students that is aligned with the College and University vision and values. The Director, with help from the Office of Academic Programs staff, oversees all academic programs in the College including curricula, instruction, recruitment and admissions, student services, scholarships, career services, transfer services, faculty development, and College of Agriculture Transformational Experiences (CATE) such as student leadership development, undergraduate research, issues engagement initiatives, and honors programming. The Director reports directly to the Dean of Agriculture, and is engaged with strategic planning, recommends allocation of academic resources, and is the primary liaison with the University regarding academic program issues. In addition, the Director works closely with the Office of Multicultural Programs in Agriculture, as well as with other Colleges/Schools across the University, the Office of the Registrar, the Office of Student Success, and the Undergraduate Education Advisory Council, as well as with two-year educational partners including Ivy Tech Community College and Vincennes University. The Director is responsible for forging effective partnerships with Agricultural Research and Graduate Education, Cooperative Extension, International Programs in Agriculture, state government, industry, and international institutions.

Qualifications: Candidates must have an earned Doctorate, professional experience in an area related to food, agriculture, or natural resources, and a record of scholarship to merit appointment as a tenured full professor in one of the departments of the College. The candidate must be able to communicate effectively with students, faculty, staff, administrators and the public, and have a vision for educating the agriculture, food, life science, and natural resource systems professionals of the future. Demonstrated characteristics should include proven leadership abilities, recruitment experience, and the ability to work successfully as part of a leadership team. The candidate must be committed to all mission areas of the College (research, teaching, and extension).

Application Procedure: Applications will be reviewed beginning August 7, 2019 and will be accepted until a suitable candidate is chosen. Qualified persons are requested to submit a letter of application, a complete curriculum vitae including the names, addresses, and phone/email for five references, and a statement of leadership philosophy. This statement should include the candidate's vision for academic programs in the next 10-15 years, including perspectives on serving current audiences as well as future and non-traditional audiences. Initial nominations and inquiries will be kept confidential; references will be contacted only upon approval by the applicant.

The College of Agriculture 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 experiences, current interests or activities, and/or future goals to promote a climate that values diversity and inclusion. Purdue is an ADVANCE institution – <https://www.purdue.edu/advance-purdue/>.

The College: The College of Agriculture is one of the world's leading colleges of agricultural, food, life, and natural resource sciences and ranked sixth in the US in the 2019 QS World University Rankings. The College is deeply committed to the three land-grant missions (teaching, research, and extension), to international activities and perspectives that span all missions, and to excellence in all we do. The College has 11 academic departments and includes 313 faculty, 2803 undergraduate students, and 672 graduate students. The College's strategic plan can be accessed at <https://ag.purdue.edu/plan/Pages/default.aspx>

Nominations of outstanding potential candidates for the position are welcomed. Applications, nominations and inquiries should be addressed to Dr. Pamala Morris, Chair, Associate Dean and Director of Academic Programs in Agriculture Search Committee, Purdue University. Electronic application submission is required via this site – <https://careers.purdue.edu/go/West-Lafayette-Faculty/7721600/>. Questions regarding the position may be addressed to Dr. Morris at (765) 494-9586 (pmorris@purdue.edu). A background check is 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.