Chair, Department of Physiological Sciences  
University of Florida

The University of Florida (UF) College of Veterinary Medicine (CVM) is seeking nominations and applications for Professor and Chair of the Department of Physiological Sciences. The Chair is the chief administrative officer for the department with overall responsibilities including (1) recruitment, mentoring and promotion of faculty, (2) management of departmental budgets, (3) coordination of departmental instructional activities in both the graduate and professional veterinary programs and (4) provision of strong leadership in research, teaching and applicable service activities. In addition, the Chair is expected to serve as the primary departmental liaison with the scientific community in the UF Health Science Center, the Institute of Food and Agricultural Sciences, as well as other UF campus units and the state of Florida at large.

The new Chair will join and lead a dynamic group of faculty members with diverse research interests and expertise in animal models of disease, neuroscience, cardiopulmonary physiology, aquatic and environmental toxicology, reproduction/development, and bone biology. In addition to the conduct of extramurally-funded biomedical research, department faculty members contribute significantly to the CVM’s educational mission through instruction of professional veterinary medical students in anatomy, physiology, pharmacology and toxicology as well as high-quality research training of doctoral-level graduate students in areas aligned with their individual research interests. The CVM is part of the UF Academic Health Center, which includes five other health-related colleges (Dentistry, Medicine, Nursing, Pharmacy and Public Health & Health Professions) and is one of only three academic health centers in the nation where all six health-related colleges are located on a single campus. In addition to the college’s health center affiliation, the UF CVM is aligned strategically with the Institute of Food and Agricultural Sciences and has strong ties with the College of Agricultural and Life Sciences. Together, these alliances create opportunities for vibrant research collaborations that are fostered through campus-wide research institutes and centers, including the Clinical Translational Science Institute, the Center for Environmental and Human Toxicology, the One Health Center of Excellence and many others. The UF Veterinary Hospitals bring additional opportunities for clinical/translational research through a diverse and robust caseload of more than 35,000 small, large and exotic animal patients each year. CVM faculty are actively engaged in cross-disciplinary research programs which contribute in part to UF’s consistent ranking among the nation’s top ten public universities according to US News & World Report. The campus is located in Gainesville, a vibrant and growing community that has numerous cultural amenities in a setting with great natural beauty (see http://www.visitgainesville.com/arts-culture-history/).

In order to be considered fully, applicants must have an earned doctorate (DVM, PhD, MD, or equivalent professional degree) and be qualified for appointment to the rank of Full Professor. Candidates must have a strong record of extramurally-funded research as well as documented experience or successes in academic leadership or team building, university instruction, strong organizational and communication skills as well as a commitment to fostering an environment of inclusion, collegiality and equal opportunity. Preference will be given to candidates that can bring an active ongoing research program. Women and minority candidates are especially encouraged to apply.

All applicants must apply online through Careers at UF in order to be considered for the position. Applications for job number 39902 and a curriculum vitae, names of four persons who can provide letters of reference, and a vision statement should be submitted online at
https://apply.interfolio.com/56863 and sent electronically to Dr. David Whitley, Search Committee Chair, (email: whitley1@ufl.edu). Email inquiries to Dr. David Whitley, Search Committee Chair (whitley1@ufl.edu) are welcome, however for full consideration, applications must be submitted online. Review of applications will begin on January 31, 2019 and will continue until the position is filled.

The successful candidate will be required to provide official transcript to the hiring department upon hire. A transcript will not be considered "official" if a designation of "Issued to Student" is visible. Degrees earned from an education institution outside of the United States are required to be evaluated by a professional credentialing service provider approved by National Association of Credential Evaluation Services (NACES), which can be found at http://www.naces.org/.

The University of Florida is an equal opportunity institution dedicated to building a broadly diverse and inclusive faculty and staff. If an accommodation due to a disability is needed to apply for this position, please call 352/392-2477 or the Florida Relay System at 800/955-8771 (TDD). Hiring is contingent upon eligibility to work in the US. Searches are conducted in accordance with Florida's Sunshine Law.