CHAIRPERSON
DIVISION OF EXERCISE PHYSIOLOGY
SCHOOL OF MEDICINE

West Virginia University located in Morgantown, WV is seeking a highly qualified leader to serve as the Chairperson for the Division of Exercise Physiology in the Department of Human Performance in the School of Medicine. The Division of Exercise Physiology is nationally recognized and encompasses education from the baccalaureate to doctoral level, as well as basic and applied research and associated clinical services. Research areas of strength align with key initiatives of West Virginia University and include cardiopulmonary, neuromotor and muscle physiology science. At this exciting time, West Virginia University, in conjunction with the WVU Medicine clinical enterprise, has established the Rockefeller Neuroscience Institute. Core innovation areas of the Institute include Human Performance Research, which aspires to maximize human performance through accelerated recovery, reduced injury, optimized readiness and holistic wellness. This new initiative will afford exciting collaborative opportunities for the Division of Exercise Physiology, which already has a reputation for high impact education, research and clinical programs.

The Division of Exercise Physiology is administratively housed within the School of Medicine’s Professional Programs unit; which is home to over 1,000 students enrolled in degree programs including exercise physiology, occupational therapy, physical therapy, medical laboratory sciences, immunology, pathologists’ assistant, physician assistant and health information management. Many of the graduate and professional programs within the unit use the exercise physiology undergraduate program as the preferred baccalaureate degree for admission. Therefore, the exercise physiology program has a large undergraduate enrollment of approximately 650 students. In addition, the program offers a master’s degree with thesis and clinical track options and a doctoral (PhD) program. The exercise physiology chairperson will report directly to the Vice Dean for Professional Programs. The chairperson will also represent exercise physiology as part of a team of leaders working closely with the Senior Associate Vice President for Research and Graduate Education.

The Chairperson will serve as leader of the academic program and will be responsible for administration of the education program at all levels, including budget, oversight of recruitment, retention and new education initiatives, quality of student experience and program assessment. The chairperson is also expected to maintain an active research program and serve as a mentor to tenure track research faculty, including oversight of all funded research projects within the division and plans for strategic growth of the research mission. The School of Medicine is
committed to investment in exercise physiology to maximize the inter-disciplinary collaborative research and education opportunities.

The Chairperson must meet the following criteria for consideration:

- Doctoral degree in Exercise Science or related field
- Minimum of 10 years of experience in higher education, with experience at both undergraduate and graduate levels
- Scholarship record consistent with appointment at the Associate or full Professor rank
- Two to three years of advanced level administrative/leadership experience

In addition to the required qualifications listed above, candidates with the following qualifications are strongly encouraged to apply:

- Research record with a consistently funded program that documents competitiveness at the national level

West Virginia University is a land grant Carnegie-designated Doctoral Research/Extensive institution, with approximately 32,500 students, including 27,000 undergraduate and 5,500 graduate/professional students. The WVU Health Sciences Center includes the Schools of Pharmacy, Medicine, Dentistry, Public Health and Nursing. Patient care facilities include a 645 bed teaching hospital, a Level I trauma center, and a 70-bed psychiatric hospital. Morgantown is within easy traveling distance of Washington, D.C. to the east, Pittsburgh, PA. to the north, and Cleveland and Columbus, Ohio to the northwest. Morgantown has 55,000 residents and is rated as one of the best small towns in the U.S. with affordable housing, excellent schools, a picturesque countryside and many outdoor activities.

Review of applications will begin immediately and continue until the position is filled. The appointment date is negotiable but the goal is to have the position filled no later than January 1, 2019. To inquire about the position please contact the chairperson of the search committee, Dr. Linda Vona-Davis, PhD, Director, Biomedical Master of Science in Health Sciences lvdavis@hsc.wvu.edu.

Applicants should apply at: https://wvu.taleo.net/careersection/faculty/jobdetail.ftl?job=09324 with a cover letter of interest, current CV and contact information, including e-mail addresses, for three professional references. If you have any questions regarding this position/process, please feel free to contact Carol Smith, Executive Recruiter at cbsmith@hsc.wvu.edu or 304-293-4512.

WVU is an EEO/Affirmative Action Employer and the recipient of an NSF ADVANCE award for gender equity. The university values diversity among its faculty, staff and students, and invites applications from all qualified individuals, including minorities, females, individuals with disabilities, and veterans.