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Chair of Epidemiology and Environmental Health search



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A flagship institution in the State University of New York system, the University at Buffalo (UB) is the largest, most comprehensive campus in the 64-campus SUNY system and an internationally renowned center for academic excellence. Impactful research, scholarly distinction, transformative student experiences, and far-reaching service to local, state, national, and international communities define UB's mission as a premier research-intensive public university. UB was founded in 1846 as a private medical college located in downtown Buffalo and joined SUNY in 1962. In 1990, UB was the first public university in the Northeast to be admitted into the Association of American Universities (AAU), joining North America's other leading research universities.

UB enrolls close to 30,000 students (approximately 2/3 undergraduate and 1/3 graduate and professional students) and offers nearly 400 degree programs at the baccalaureate, master's, professional and doctoral levels across its 12 decanal units. UB is a global community of scholars

consistently ranking among the nation's top 20 universities for the enrollment of international students. The university enjoys a strong international presence, maintaining affiliation agreements with over 80 universities in Asia, Europe, Latin America, and Africa. UB's approximately 240,000 alumni live in over 145 nations worldwide.

UB has a distinguished faculty of approximately 1,600 full-time members and almost 750 part time members. With more than 150 research centers and institutes, UB's current annual research expenditures, including affiliated institutions, exceed \$386 million. The Libraries hold four million volumes in eight libraries and provide access to 100,000 full-text e journals and 800,000 e-books.

Recognizing the key role that a vibrant 21st century physical campus environment plays in enhancing education, research, and learning as part of the UB 2020 vision, UB is implementing a longrange plan for enhancing its North, South, and Downtown campus spaces and connecting them more effectively to their surrounding communities. UB's North Campus, located in the Buffalo suburb of Amherst, is the university's main undergraduate campus, and home to the university's primary athletics and cultural facilities. Three miles to the south, on the northern edge of the City of Buffalo, is the university's historic South Campus, which serves as the primary health sciences campus. UB also has a rapidly developing third campus center in downtown Buffalo. The focal point of UB's downtown presence is the Buffalo Niagara Medical Campus, on which UB's new medical school facility was opened in the fall of 2017.

With annual revenues that exceed \$1.2 billion from all sources, UB and its affiliated entities generate an estimated economic impact of \$2.18 billion annually in New York State. The university's total workforce of almost 6,800 full-time equivalent employees makes it one of the region's largest employers. UB is also a leader and an active partner with the more than 20 public and private colleges and universities in the Buffalo-Niagara region.



The Buffalo Niagara Region

As a world-renowned research university, UB's intellectual capital and innovation are playing a vital role in Buffalo's resurgence as a thriving city that is a magnet for the talented professionals, artists, entrepreneurs, and innovators who recognize the tremendous energy and momentum gathering here. Home to one of the nation's fastest growing populations of college graduates, the Buffalo-Niagara region, located on the shores of Lake Erie, with 1.5 million residents, is the state's second largest major metropolitan area, exceeded only by New York City. The region includes a diverse blend of communities, each with its own distinct personality, yet commonly characterized by a distinctly neighborly way of life, an unpretentious nature and spirited loyalty among residents. Buffalo's own strong sense of community, easy lifestyle, and affordability regularly place it in top ten lists from a variety of national publications; its overall quality of life has led to the city being affectionately nicknamed "the City

of Good Neighbors." Buffalo offers an impressive array of cultural and recreational opportunities uncommon for a region of its size. Buffalo's rich cultural resources reflect its distinguished history and a commitment to sustaining the arts, including the Grammy-Award winning Buffalo Philharmonic Orchestra; the world-class collection of modern paintings and sculpture at the Albright-Knox Art Gallery; an extensive array of historic architectural treasures designed by Frank Lloyd Wright, H.H. Richardson, Louis Sullivan, and Eero and Eliel Saarinen; and an expansive park system (including Delaware Park), considered to be the very best work of designer Frederick Law Olmsted. The city is home to the state's largest concentration of theaters outside of New York City. Buffalo is a familyfriendly, livable and affordable city, with Niagara Falls, one of the major tourist attractions of the world, and Toronto Canada a short drive away. Buffalo is close to two significant wine growing regions



– Niagara Escarpment and the Finger Lakes region. In addition, the Adirondack Mountains are a half-day's drive from Buffalo. Rich in natural resources and beauty, the Buffalo-Niagara area is a fourseason region that offers the best for seasonal sports enthusiasts. University at Buffalo fans enjoy a full complement of NCAA division I sports with the UB Bulls, as well as the NFL's Buffalo Bills, the NHL's Buffalo Sabres, Triple-A baseball's Buffalo Bisons, and the National Lacrosse League's Buffalo Bandits.

Buffalo's resurgence is making national headlines, and UB is playing a central role in the creation of a strong, sustainable knowledge economy and thriving entrepreneurial culture that are driving this revitalization. Buffalo is experiencing a period of tremendous progress and momentum as well as unprecedented regional investments in the industries of the future and in the assets that ensure a satisfying quality of life for all its citizens.



History

The history of the SPHHP dates back to October 14, 1965, when the School of Health Related Professions (HRP) was created by order of the Trustees of the State University of New York. Albert C. Rekate, MD, a UB professor of rehabilitation medicine and an administrator and later director of the present day Erie County Medical Center, was named acting dean of the school in 1965. The next year, UB recruited J. Warren Perry from the Vocational Rehabilitation Administration in Washington, D.C., where he helped shape the 1966 Allied Health Professions Training Act. Perry moved quickly to unify programs in physical therapy, occupational therapy and medical technology, all previously housed in the medical school. When HRP was formally dedicated in 1967, it was the first of its kind in New York and one of the first in the nation.

In 1975, HRP added a program in nuclear medicine technology and a year later picked up the Department of Physical Education from UB's School of Education. In the mid-1980s, physical education merged with physical therapy to form the Department of Physical Therapy and Exercise Science. During that decade, the school also started a graduate program in nutrition. By the mid-1990s, HRP had started doctoral programs in rehabilitation science and exercise science.

In September 2001, Maurizio Trevisan, MD, MS, chair of the Department of Social and Preventive Medicine in the School of Medicine and Biomedical Sciences, agreed to serve as interim dean of HRP. He brought with him the vision for the new School of Public Health and Health Professions (SPHHP). SPHHP was created and formally established in January 2003 by

combining the Department of Social and Preventive Medicine (currently known as Epidemiology and Environmental Health) and the School of Health Related Professions. Dr. Trevisan was named dean of the SPHHP in December 2004 and served in that capacity until September of 2007. In December 2008, Lynn T. Kozlowski, PhD, was named the new school's second permanent dean.

The school was awarded full accreditation in 2009 by the Council on Education for Public Health, qualifying it for membership in the Association of Schools of Public Health, which is now known as the Association of Schools and Programs of Public Health. The school's health professions programs—occupational therapy, physical therapy, preventive medicine residency and dietetic internship—are also fully accredited by their respective professional bodies. In 2011, the Office of Global Health Initiatives was created to coordinate and promote the school's global health opportunities. The office brings together UB students, faculty and staff and community partners from across the globe to further health education, research and service.

Present Day

Today, the SPHHP offers degrees at undergraduate, graduate, professional and doctoral levels through our five departments: biostatistics; community health and health behavior; epidemiology and environmental health; exercise and nutrition sciences; and rehabilitation science. In addition, a new department in health services policy and practice was recently launched.





the Department of Epidemiology and Environmental Health - Highlights

Degrees Offered:

MS Epidemiology

Clinical Epidemiology MS Track

PhD Epidemiology

Cancer Epidemiology PhD Track

MPH Epidemiology MPH Environmental Health MPH Health Services Administration

A new and growing undergraduate program in public health was established in 2016 and is taught by faculty in EEH and the Dept. of Community Health and Health Behavior (CHHB).

Department Divisions:

- **Environmental Health Sciences**
- Health Services Policy and Practice

Department Student Body (official Fall 2018)

- 0 UG Undergraduate Public Health program enrollment reports centrally to SPHHP
- 75 Graduate
 - o 4 MS Epidemiology
 - o 14 PhD Epidemiology
 - o 19 MPH Epidemiology
 - o 9 MPH Environmental
 - Health
 - o 25 MPH Health Services Administration

 - o 2 MPH/JD
 - o 2 MPH/MSW

School Student Body (official Fall 2018)

- 878 UG
- 529 Graduate and professional
- 365 Non-Majors
- Still growing in undergraduate public health

Number of Faculty:

13 core faculty and over 40 affiliated faculty

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Faculty Research Interests:

Departmental faculty research focuses on chronic diseases (e.g., cancer, cardiovascular disease, osteoporosis, periodontal disease, diabetes, eye disease), environmental health, global health,

The department focuses on understanding the determinants and prevention of disease, on the role of environmental factors in health and disease and how the administration of health programs can help implement this understanding.

UB offers a doctoral and a master's degree in epidemiology; the MS program includes a specialized concentration in clinical research.

UB also offers Master of Public Health (MPH) degrees with concentrations in epidemiology, environmental health and health services administration, as well as collaborative programs where you can earn an MPH and a medical, business, law, social work or pharmacy degree or an undergraduate degree in exercise science.

Additionally, programs include a collaborative program with UB's Jacobs School of Medicine and Biomedical Sciences, the Medical Sciences Training Program (MSTP), leading to both an MD and a PhD. infectious disease, women's health, genetics, nutrition, and health disparities. The Department has a history of strong collaborations with faculty across the university including with

faculty from other departments in the School of Public Health and Health Professions, other Schools in the UB Academic Health Center (Medicine and Biomedical Sciences, Nursing, Dental Medicine, and Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Sciences) as well as with faculty from within and outside of the University at Buffalo. Faculty also collaborate with other regional affiliated institutions, including Roswell Park Cancer Institute, the Clinical Research Institute on Addictions, hospital systems, agencies and health departments in the western NY region.

Samples of Funded Research: http://sphhp.buffalo.edu/ health/research-and-facilities/ funded-research.html





About the Position

The School of Public Health and Health Professions (SPHHP) at the University at Buffalo (UB), The State University of New York (SUNY), seeks a Chair for the Department of Epidemiology and Environmental Health (EEH). The Department has longstanding distinction and a rich history of epidemiologic research and education. In addition to Epidemiology, the department has two divisions, Environmental Health Sciences and Health Services Policy and Practice, and houses academic programs that include three M.P.H. programs (epidemiology, environmental health and health services administration) and M.S. and Ph.D. programs in epidemiology. The Department is part of the School of Public Health and Health Professions, which was founded in 2003 and is accredited by the Council on Education for Public Health. The University at Buffalo is the State University of New York's largest and most comprehensive research-intensive university and is

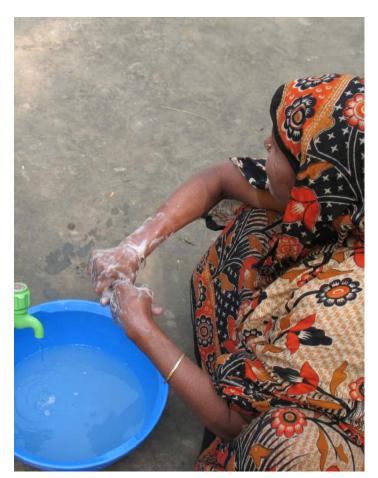
its primary center for professional education and training, as well as a member of the Association of American Universities.

We seek a Chair with a strong record of excellence in academic leadership and scholarly activity (including peer-reviewed extramurally funded epidemiologic, environmental health and/or health services research), and enthusiasm to grow the Department's academic and research programs. Candidates must have a Ph.D. in epidemiology or related discipline and/or an M.D. or other professional degree, with training in epidemiology and/ or public health, or equivalent. Candidate will be at the rank of full professor or with demonstrated academic experience and scholarship to be appointable at the rank of full professor with tenure. A strong record of successful administrative leadership is desired. The candidate should also have experience in education and the ability to provide leadership for the educational program.

Collaborative skills are essential. EEH is committed to developing an excellent and diverse community of scholars and students engaged in research, education and service. Applications from individuals who will contribute to that diversity, including underrepresented groups are encouraged.

The Department of Epidemiology and Environmental Health prides itself in its multidisciplinary faculty, with faculty research focused on chronic diseases (e.g., cancer, cardiovascular disease, osteoporosis, periodontal disease, diabetes, eye disease), environmental health, global health, infectious disease, women's health, genetics, nutrition, and health disparities. The Department has a history of strong collaborations with faculty from other departments in the School of Public Health and Health Professions, from other Schools in the UB Academic Health

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Center (Medicine and Biomedical Sciences, Nursing, Dental Medicine, and Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Sciences), as well as with faculty from within and outside of the University at Buffalo. Faculty also collaborate with other regional affiliated institutions, including Roswell Park Cancer Institute, the Clinical Research Institute on Addictions, hospital systems, agencies and health departments in the western NY region. The School of Public Health and Health Professions is currently expanding with a new and growing undergraduate program in public health (established 2016).

The University also claims other available resources which include

large-scale University initiatives focused on interdisciplinary research, education, and engagement (e.g., a Community of Excellence in Global Health Equity; a Community of Excellence in the Genome, the Environment and the Microbiome; and the Research and Education in eNergy, Environment and Water (RENEW) initiative).

The next Chair will have a history of dedication to strong educational programming, an excellent record of service, and a demonstrated commitment to diversity and inclusion.

He/She must possess superior communication skills, political adeptness, entrepreneurial energy, and an ability to represent the Department externally to local, national, and international constituencies. The successful candidate will be responsible for managing all aspects of department programs, including education, program accreditation, high-caliber, diverse faculty recruitment and retention, practice development and outreach, and development of educational and relevant research programs.

The Department Chair will work closely with the Dean and faculty to strengthen and expand educational programs to support the academic missions of the university and its partners. She/He must be committed to nurturing programs and departmental faculty activity. The Chair will have dedicated time



Qualifications

Minimum Qualifications

Candidates must have a Ph.D. in epidemiology or related discipline and/or an M.D. or other professional degree, with training in epidemiology and/or public health, or equivalent. Collaborative skills are essential. The candidate will be at the rank of full professor or have demonstrated academic experience and scholarship to be appointable at the rank of full professor with tenure.

Preferred Oualifications

- A demonstrated record of successful administrative leadership is desired. The candidate should have experience in education, strong research accomplishments and the ability to provide leadership for the department and school.
- History of mentorship and

- leadership that promotes an inclusive environment and diversity;
- A strategic national academic and research leader, grounded in personal integrity with the ability to energize, inspire, and encourage faculty and student innovation as well as interdisciplinary collaboration;
- Demonstrated ability to manage a complex academic organization and work effectively with colleagues across divisions;
- Demonstrated success as an administrator and fiscal manager;
- Demonstrated ability to motivate key constituencies, lead the development of mutually beneficial relationships with partners, and recruit, retain and develop superb academic faculty and leaders;
- Ability to foster and promote

- gender equity and ethnic diversity among faculty and staff to enrich the university, further its research mission, and preserve the uniqueness of UB;
- Evidence of effective community involvement, outreach, leadership, and demonstrated ability to forge partnerships and build productive relationships with both campus and business community constituencies;
- Evidence of recruitment and retention of outstanding faculty and staff, as well as teambuilding, supervision, and staff support for professional development;
- Demonstrated commitment to student centeredness and optimization of student learning reflected by active and visible engagement in student activities, initiatives, and programs.



Procedure for Candidacy

Applications should include a letter of application and curriculum vitae. Applications and nominations will be accepted until the position is filled. Confidential review of materials and screening of candidates will begin immediately. Harris Search Associates is assisting UB for this search. Please send application to address below or contact Jeffrey Harris, Managing Partner, for further details.

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