



TEXAS TECH UNIVERSITY HEALTH SCIENCES CENTER™

Senior Vice President for Research and Innovation

Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center (TTUHSC) seeks a dynamic, effective, and forward-thinking leader to serve in the newly created role of Senior Vice President for Research and Innovation (SVPRI). The SVPRI will have the extraordinary opportunity to join TTUHSC at an exciting period of transition and growth. The successful candidate will be a collaborative and energetic leader who will build upon the University's previous research and clinical successes to inspire and support the faculty toward increasing TTUHSC's research productivity while balancing its commitment to preparing health care professionals for successful careers and service in the field.

Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center

TTUHSC is comprised of the TTUHSC School of Medicine, School of Nursing, School of Health Professions, Jerry H. Hodge School of Pharmacy, and the Graduate School of Biomedical Sciences and is home to 1,285 full-time faculty and 3,158 full-time staff supported by a budget of over \$760 million. Its schools are committed to regionalized, multi-campus educational experiences, and to the related biomedical research, graduate studies, patient care and community service required of a health sciences center. The University has as its major objectives the provision of quality education and development of academic, research, patient care, and community service programs to meet the health care needs of West Texas, which in total is comprised of 108 counties and represents 50% of Texas' land mass and 13% of its total population. This 131,000 square mile service area and population of 2.75 million has been, and remains, highly underserved by health professionals and accessible health care facilities, despite the substantial and meaningful contribution made by TTUHSC. While underserved, this area is a strategic region for our nation providing the majority of food, fiber and energy for the United States.

Like Texas itself, TTUHSC is an independent entity that is part of a larger union, the Texas Tech University System. As a university separate from Texas Tech University, TTUHSC has been entrusted with a singular charge: to teach the next generation of doctors, nurses, pharmacists, researchers and health care professionals while simultaneously providing the people of West Texas with world-class patient care—both an institution of higher learning and a place where real people come for life-saving medical care. For more information about TTUHSC, please visit <https://www.ttuhs.edu/>.

Research at Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center

TTUHSC receives a vast array of external research funding from state, private and federal sources. For FY18, the institution received \$16.6 million from state, \$2.2 million from private and \$15 million from federal sources for a total of \$33.8 million in external awards. Expenses related to research approaches \$38 million from both internal and external sources.

Position Summary

Reporting directly to the President, the Senior Vice President for Research and Innovation is responsible for the strategic and operational leadership of research and innovation at TTUHSC by providing creative, efficient research administrative operations; promoting a bold, collaborative, innovative research environment; increasing opportunities for engaging with funding agencies, industry partners, and other constituencies; and supporting intellectual property and technology transfer.

The SVPRI will oversee and lead the Office of Research at TTUHSC, providing strategic guidance and decision making on matters relative to resource planning, policy development, promotion of research and scholarly activity, exploration of innovative funding opportunities, and coordination of interdisciplinary and cross-disciplinary collaborations. As the facilitator of the University's research agenda, the SVPRI will play a key leadership role to energize research activities at TTUHSC to maximize resources and increase collaborations to meet the emerging research opportunities for the university.

Working closely with the university President, Deans, and other executive officers and directors of schools, institutes, and departments, the SVPRI will work to align research with the overall strategic plan of the University across its five schools and five campuses. Additionally, this position will serve as the Chief Scientific Officer for the University's Laura W. Bush Institute for Women's Health (LWBIWH). This will entail providing focused support of research and medical education operations for women's health and gender-based medicine at the LWBIWH by promoting the need for and benefits of the institute's research to the general public and advocating for and leveraging funding for research, curriculum development, and medical education.

The Senior Vice President for Research and Innovation will support a culture for creative growth of quantity and quality of research and scholarship that aligns with the TTUHSC values of One Team, Kindhearted, Integrity, Visionary, and Beyond Service.

Qualifications

Candidates for the SVPRI at TTUHSC must possess the following qualifications and experience:

- An earned doctorate or requisite terminal degree related to health science center research;
- A strong personal record of research, scholarship, mentorship, publication, and funding, as appropriate for the discipline;
- Prior experience at a major research organization or university or work experience that includes substantial interaction with academic institutions;
- Demonstrated effective administrative experience, including fiscal oversight and supervision of staff;
- Proven leadership in the promotion of multi-disciplinary research;
- Demonstrated record of support for diversity;
- Excellent written and oral communication skills;
- The ability to listen, persuade, show appreciation, and build consensus with interdisciplinary teams;
- Experience in implementing capacity building to support faculty and student research.

To view the full position profile, please visit <https://www.storbeckpimentel.com/pd/TTUHSC/SVPRI.pdf>.

Application and Nomination Process

The Search Committee will begin reviewing applications immediately and will continue to accept applications and nominations until the position is filled. Applicants must submit a current curriculum vitae and a letter of interest describing relevant experience. Submission of materials via e-mail is strongly encouraged. Nomination letters should include the name, position, address and telephone number of the nominee. All nominations and applications will be handled in confidence. Applications will remain confidential until the selection of the finalists, whose names and application materials will be made public.

Applications and letters of nomination should be submitted to:



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Refer to code "**TTUHSC-SVPRI**" in subject line

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