

Director of the USF School of Global Sustainability

The University of South Florida invites nominations or applications for the position of founding *Director of the USF School of Global Sustainability*. The University of South Florida consists of the main research campus in Tampa, which includes USF Health, and two regional campuses – USF Sarasota-Manatee and USF Polytechnic in Lakeland. One of the nation's top 63 public research universities, USF is also one of 25 four-year public universities with very high research activity that is designated as community engaged by the Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching. USF was awarded more than \$380 million in research contracts and grants in FY 2008/2009. The university serves more than 47,000 students and offers 224 degree programs at the undergraduate, graduate, specialists, and doctoral levels, including the doctor of medicine, through its 11 colleges. USF is a member of the Big East Athletic Conference.

USF's newly established School of Global Sustainability is an innovative, state-of-the-art school, created in response to overwhelming student and faculty interest, and central to the University's Strategic Plan. It is the only School of Global Sustainability delivering a Masters of Arts degree in Global Sustainability at this time. The School will offer a Masters degree in Global Sustainability with an initial focus on water, delivered primarily through a distance-learning curriculum combined with two periods of residency, one at USF and the second at one of USF's global partner universities. In addition, the School will serve as an umbrella for university-wide academic initiatives in sustainability, including certificate programs, a lecture series, post-doctoral awards, and developing future concentrations for the Masters of Arts degree. The School will be a hub for cross-college interdisciplinary research and the director will be expected to work closely with the directors of the newly established Office of Sustainability, the Office of Community Engagement, and USF World.

Requirements for the Director:

The University of South Florida is seeking a Director for the School of Global Sustainability to fill a full-time, 12-month tenured Full Professor position with benefits. Candidates should have an outstanding international reputation and recognition for interdisciplinary research and scholarly activities in sustainability. Candidates should be able to demonstrate the ability to think creatively, galvanize faculty across colleges, facilitate staff, student, and alumni support, and to secure significant external funding. Job duties include curriculum development, student recruitment, and the building and managing an integrated, interdisciplinary faculty team to conduct research, education, and outreach in the strategic area of global sustainability. The successful candidate will demonstrate a history of working closely with deans from a variety of colleges. Academic appointment will be as a tenured full professor in a university academic

department consistent with the candidate's background. Necessary also are suitable administrative and budgetary management experience in a similar position and a strong ability to promote public affiliation and market potential.

Minimum Qualifications:

A doctorate or equivalent in a sustainability-related discipline; five years of experience in initiating, developing, executing, and evaluating programs in educational and/or non-profit settings; five years in administration and supervision, including faculty and curricular development, budget, management, and fundraising. Candidates must demonstrate integrity, high energy, vision, and successful management experiences, as well as expertise in fundraising and grant writing, and strong interpersonal and communications skills, including experience in report writing and public speaking.

Preferred Qualifications

Competency in at least one foreign language, cross-cultural experience, and a record of research funding and outstanding scholarly publications.

Salary is competitive and commensurate with qualifications.

To apply for this position, please go to www.usf.edu/jobs, and click on "Faculty."

Applicants will be asked to submit:

(a) letter stating their interest in, and qualifications for, the position and their philosophy of academic and community leadership; (b) a full, detailed curriculum vitae; and (c) the names of three references, including title and institution, phone number, and email address.

To assure optimal consideration, all application materials should be complete and received no later than January 7th, 2010. Applications will be accepted until the position is filled with the initial review commencing on January 31st, 2010.

Appointment date is expected to be August 6, 2010, or sooner.

According to Florida Law, applications and meetings regarding them are open to the public. For ADA accommodations, please Maryhelen Shuman-Groh at 813-974-5567 at least five working days prior to need. USF is an AA/EEO institution.