Department Chair, Obstetrics and Gynecology, University of Arizona, College of Medicine-Tucson

Employment Opportunity

CV and Letter of Interest due by September 3, 2020

The University of Arizona’s (UArizona) College of Medicine – Tucson (COM-T), seeks nominations for an innovative academic physician leader to serve as Chair of the college’s established Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology (OB/GYN). Reporting directly to Dean Michael M.I. Abecassis, the chair will work collaboratively with the leaders of COM-T and Banner University Medicine to build upon excellence in existing clinical, teaching and team-based research programs to position the department for growth and transformation.

Position Description

The next chair of the Department of OB/GYN will have the opportunity to advance women’s health care in Southern Arizona by leading innovative collaborative research, delivering high-quality clinical care, providing outstanding physician education and, contributing to the University, Banner and great communities. This physician leader will provide strategic leadership and direction for the growth of the clinical enterprise. Such growth will support the expansion of research and education. The leader will have the ability to build a program within the larger context of a growing regional health care system. The chair will evaluate and leverage department strengths to expand the UArizona/Banner Health footprint, expand relationships and partnerships with community providers, recruit and retain talented faculty and prepare the department for the changing healthcare landscape.

The chair will be responsible for the clinical growth, research advancement, teaching excellence of the department and enhancement of the national reputation. The chair will also focus on optimizing and creating sustainable resources across the enterprise. This physician leader will provide strategic and tactical leadership for all aspects of the department within the College of Medicine - Tucson including corresponding services at Banner University Medicine’s Tucson facilities.

The Department of Obstetrics & Gynecology includes 19 physician faculty members and five Advanced Practice Providers across its Generalist, Maternal Fetal Medicine, and Gynecologic Oncology divisions. Three Generalist division members are Board-certified in FPMRS. The department continues to grow its faculty and has active recruitments underway in all three of its divisions. The department hosts 16 residents and 4 Maternal Fetal Medicine fellows. Faculty provide clinical services and mentor trainees at the Banner - University Medical Center Tucson and Banner - University Medical Center South hospitals, our main ambulatory clinic at Banner – University Medicine North and several outreach clinics throughout the city and surrounding area. The department is experiencing rapid growth of the clinical enterprise with year-over-year increases of approximately 15% in surgical volume, and 20% each in clinic visits and deliveries.

The successful candidate will be an outstanding clinical and academic leader with a national/international reputation as a respected and accomplished researcher, clinician and educator and will have a proven, substantial and progressive leadership achievement in an academic medical center. The chair will set a clear vision, inspire faculty, mentor trainees and drive results. They will have a passion for growing complex clinical care, building relationships with community-based providers, and possess a desire to build systems and processes to maximize efficiency. The chair will engage faculty, mentor the careers of others, hold them accountable to agreed-upon objectives and create a collaborative environment conducive to camaraderie, excellent clinical care, research, education and service. Qualified candidates must hold an MD, MD/PhD or equivalent medical degree; be board certified by the American Board of Obstetrics & Gynecology, eligible for medical licensure in Arizona, and preferably meet UArizona criteria for appointment to a tenured / tenure eligible senior level faculty position.

The University of Arizona

UArizona is one of the nation's premier research institutions. The National Science Foundation ranks the university 21st in research and development expenditures among U.S. public and private universities. The Blue Ridge Institute for Medical Research ranks UArizona 47 of 142 institutions for NIH funding.
Banner University Medicine

In 2015, Banner Health merged with the University of Arizona Health Network to form Banner University Medicine. At the heart of this merger is academic medicine - research, teaching and patient care - across three academic medical centers in Tucson and Phoenix. Banner University Medicine's presence in Tucson includes the Banner - University Medical Center Tucson, Banner - University Medical Center South and the Diamond Children's Medical Center, and dozens of physician offices and clinics across Southern Arizona. Banner - University Medical Center Tucson opened a tower in 2019 featuring 228 new private rooms, for a total of 649, and 20 new operating rooms. The hospital is located near the campus of the University of Arizona and is adjacent to the University of Arizona College of Medicine.

For full consideration, please apply at the UArizona link below on or before September 3, 2020. A CV and Letter of Interest will be required at that time: https://arizona.csod.com/ux/ats/careersite/4/home/requisition/1849?c=arizona

Confidential inquiries or nominations may also be sent to Search Committee Chair, Dr. Ben Lee at brlee@arizona.edu

At the University of Arizona, we value our inclusive climate because we know that diversity in experiences and perspectives is vital to advancing innovation, critical thinking, solving complex problems, and creating an inclusive academic community. As an Hispanic-serving institution, we translate these values into action by seeking individuals who have experience and expertise working with diverse students, colleagues, and constituencies. Because we seek a workforce with a wide range of perspectives and experiences, we provide equal employment opportunities to applicants and employees without regard to race, color, religion, sex, national origin, age, disability, veteran status, sexual orientation, gender identity, or genetic information. As an Employer of National Service, we also welcome alumni of AmeriCorps, Peace Corps, and other national service programs and others who will help us advance our Inclusive Excellence initiative aimed at creating a university that values student, staff and faculty engagement in addressing issues of diversity and inclusiveness.