DUKE INSTITUTE FOR BRAIN SCIENCES

Duke University, created in 1924, is considered one of the top research universities in the world and is regularly ranked among the top ten undergraduate institutions in the United States. Duke’s campus in Durham, North Carolina encompasses nearly 9,000 acres and is home to 6,500 undergraduates, over 8,000 graduate students, and more than 1,700 tenured and tenure-track faculty. The Duke University Hospital is considered one of the best hospitals in the country.

More information about Duke may be found at https://duke.edu/.

Duke University invites applications for the Director of the Duke Institute for Brain Sciences (DIBS). DIBS was established in 2007 as one of six University Institutes and Centers that promote interdisciplinary research, education, and engagement at Duke. The DIBS mission is to advance neuroscience research, education, and service and provide innovative solutions to problems in health and society.

DIBS serves as the focal point for interdisciplinary brain science research, education, and service at Duke. DIBS-affiliated faculty include a broad range of scientists and scholars from all schools of the University. Current constituent centers consist of the Center for Cognitive Neuroscience, the Duke Center for Interdisciplinary Decision Science, the Center on Addiction and Behavior Change, and, in partnership with Duke Medicine, the Duke Center for Autism and Brain Development. The University has committed substantial resources to the Institute, including support for professional staff, research initiatives, faculty recruitment, and administration.

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DIRECTOR OF THE DUKE INSTITUTE FOR BRAIN SCIENCES

The Director of the Duke Institute for Brain Sciences (DIBS) engages, leads and energizes the broad neurosciences community at Duke to build new initiatives and collaborations both across and outside of the University. The Director identifies strategic priorities for investment and provides leadership in neuroscience research, scholarship, and education to foster information sharing and achievement in collaboration with faculty in the University and the School of Medicine as well as other University institutes and centers.

Specific responsibilities of the Director include:

• Identifying areas of strategic importance in the neurosciences and advancing innovation in brain sciences-related research, education, and outreach across the University:
  o Planning, directing, and otherwise fostering new interdisciplinary initiatives, and/or outreach initiatives across the brain sciences, to engage multiple disciplines and divisions, departments, administrators, and personnel;
  o Assessing new opportunities for the University brain sciences community arising from rapidly evolving developments in the neurosciences; and
Coordinating activities among the centers, research groups, and the neuroscience community.

- Working with partner units to support neuroscience education and training including primary responsibility for Undergraduate Studies in Neuroscience, and supporting responsibilities for the Graduate Cognitive Neuroscience Admitting Program and the Consortium of Neuroscience Graduate Programs.

- Collaborating to identify and recruit talented and diverse faculty in key areas, enhancing resources for existing faculty, and fostering faculty engagement.

- Developing comprehensive budgets and operational plans, reviewing performance, and reporting to University leadership on plans, goals, and achievements.

- Directing and providing leadership in DIBS development and organizational advancement efforts in cooperation with University and School of Medicine development offices.

- Fostering the establishment of new partnerships with industry and biotechnology.

CANDIDATES FOR DIRECTOR

The University seeks an accomplished scholar with the desire and capacity to engage and lead the broad neurosciences community at Duke. Candidates for Institute Director are expected to possess an M.D., Ph.D., or M.D./Ph.D. degree, a sustained record of scholarly excellence in neuroscience, and outstanding leadership skills.

Ideal candidates will bring a record of outstanding achievement and leadership in the field of neuroscience and a strong commitment to innovation, interdisciplinary collaboration, and education. They should have the experience and energy to catalyze new initiatives and collaborations both across and outside of the University, the vision to identify strategic priorities, and the capacity to provide leadership in research, scholarship, education, and outreach. Candidates will be assessed on scholarship, experience and capacity for institutional leadership, and demonstrated commitment to institutional leadership.

The Director will have a faculty appointment in the appropriate department at Duke University and will be supported in their personal research initiatives.

Duke is being assisted in this effort by Spencer Stuart, and comments, nominations, or indications of personal interest may be directed to the confidential e-mail: DIBSDirector@spencerstuart.com. Indications of personal interest should include a CV.

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