

Call for Nominations for Rohm & Haas Endowed Professorship

The Rohm and Haas Endowed Professorship in Public Health Sciences was established 1986 in the UW School of Public Health through a generous gift from the Rohm & Haas Corporate Foundation. This Professorship is a five-year appointment made by the President, subject to approval by the Board of Regents, with an annual allocation of \$50,000. These monies are made available to the holder of the Professorship and can be used to support FTE or pay the costs of research or professional activities, including the costs of student research assistants, supplies or equipment.

Candidates for this Professorship shall have demonstrated, through their professional accomplishments, expertise and a continuing commitment to scholarship, teaching, and public service in the field of environmental health sciences, or related public health sciences.

Candidates whose expertise encompasses the health consequences of exposures to chemicals, and the most effective ways to characterize, communicate and control such risks are especially encouraged to apply. **To be eligible for the Rohm and Haas Professorship, individuals must currently be full-time faculty (tenured, tenure track or WOTRF) at the University of Washington with a current faculty appointment in the School of Public Health.**

Additional criteria of eligibility for the Rohm and Haas Professorship include:

1. Evidence of working in at least one of these strategic areas (Toxicology; Exposure Sciences; Environmental Health; Occupational Health; Environmental Medicine; Risk Assessment and Risk Communication; Genomics and Public Health; and other areas of public health research relevant to environmental and/or occupational health, including health policy issues and social determinants of health).
2. Evidence of distinguished scholarship, including national or international reputation in their respective discipline.
3. Evidence of existing or potential interdisciplinary leadership and activities both within the School of Public Health and across the University of Washington, and the potential to strengthen that interdisciplinary work within the specified strategic area.

Process of application

Individuals are encouraged to self-nominate; nominations may also be submitted by department chairs. Nominations shall consist of: 1) a statement (no more than one page, single-spaced, with font no smaller than Arial 11) documenting the nominee's eligibility according to each of the three criteria; and 2) a copy of their current Curriculum Vitae. **Nominations should be sent to JeShawna A. Schmidt at jacs1007@uw.edu no later than EOB on Monday, February 22, 2021.**

Process of selection

An ad hoc Review Committee, appointed by the Dean and consisting of three senior faculty within the School of Public Health, will review all nominations submitted by eligible candidates. Each member of the Committee will review applications, and rank them on each of the following criteria:

- Commitment to environmental and occupational health sciences or related public health sciences.

- Scholarly activities (research, teaching, service and policy analysis) to advance our understanding of the health consequences of exposures to chemicals and the most effective ways to characterize, communicate and control such risks.
- Research, teaching, and service to support the School's commitment to diversity, equity, and inclusion. Highest priority will be given to applicants who's past and/or proposed research address discrimination, racial and economic inequalities, equal opportunity, and/or engagement of marginalized communities through their work.
- Engagement in interdisciplinary work/ability to collaborate across disciplines.
- Potential/demonstrated ability to produce high quality independent research and publications in the field.
- Commitment to professional and scholarly service and a record of community engagement.
- Potential for/demonstrated high quality teaching in our programs and mentoring of students conducting research.

The Committee will meet to discuss their assessment of the candidates and will forward to the Dean a list of the top nominees who meet these criteria, including a narrative justification explaining the strengths and limitations of each of the individuals being recommended and summarizing the scoring for each of the attached rubric. The Dean will, in consultation with the Vice Provost for Academic Personnel, make a recommendation to the President.