



Position Announcement
Director
University of Ottawa Skills and Simulation Centre

The Ottawa Hospital and the Faculty of Medicine, University of Ottawa are seeking academic applicants for the Director of the University of Ottawa Skills and Simulation Centre (uOSSC). This leadership position will be the chief representative of the uOSSC and report jointly to the Vice President, Education, The Ottawa Hospital, and the Chair, Department for Innovation In Medical Education (DIME), Faculty of Medicine, University of Ottawa.

The uOSSC is one of the largest simulation centres in North America focused on procedural skills and mannequin based simulation. Its primary role is the education of faculty and students from the Faculty of Medicine, and the training of staff at The Ottawa Hospital to improve the quality and safety of healthcare delivery of patients. It is also dedicated to advancing the science of simulation based education through innovative research.

Specific Duties and Responsibilities

Education

- a) Collaborate with the education coordinators and clinical department simulation leads, to promote the delivery of simulation based education programs.
- b) Actively solicit the increased use of simulation in the undergraduate and postgraduate programs.
- c) Improve interprofessional patient care through team based simulation.
- d) Facilitate continuing education and faculty development for all health professionals.

Research

- a) Establish the uOSSC as an international leader in simulation research through the acquisition of research grants and publications, and facilitation of research programs.
- b) Increase collaboration with national/international leaders in medical education research.
- c) Promote Fellowships in Simulation/Education, in collaboration with the Department of Innovation in Medical Education, University of Ottawa.

Leadership/Administration

- a) Lead the strategic direction planning and implementation for the uOSSC
- b) Represent the uOSSC as required by the leadership teams of The Ottawa Hospital and University of Ottawa locally, nationally and internationally.
- c) Acts as a liaison to academic partners and private industry as required.
- d) Plan and implement opportunities for revenue generation through academic activities.
- e) Collaborate with the university and hospital foundations to fundraise for the uOSSC.
- f) Provide direction with respect to operational activities.
- g) Co-ordinate and support effective resource management.
- h) Provide leadership to managers, educators, any other university/hospital staff.

Terms

Applicants must be eligible for an academic appointment within the Faculty of Medicine. Demonstrable experience and excellence in medical education is a requirement. Preference will be given to candidates with simulation experience. A graduate degree in education (Masters or PhD level), while not a requirement, will be an asset in this position.

Salary and academic rank will be commensurate with experience and qualifications.

Bilingualism (English and French), while not a requirement, will be an asset in this position.

All qualified candidates are encouraged to apply. However, preference will be given to Canadian Citizens and permanent residents. The Ottawa Hospital and The University of Ottawa are committed to employment equity and actively encourages applications from qualified candidates including Aboriginal peoples, persons with disabilities, and members of visible minorities.

Appointment

The term of appointment normally will be 5 years, renewable after a satisfactory review.

Applications

A cover letter of interest accompanied by a CV should be sent by **October 15, 2014** to:

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