University of Florida College of Medicine – Jacksonville

Chair of Ophthalmology

The University of Florida’s College of Medicine – Jacksonville (UF COM-J) invites applications and nominations for the position of Chair, Department of Ophthalmology.

The Department of Ophthalmology offers residents of Northeast Florida and Southeast Georgia the resources of an academic medical center and a patient-friendly environment. Ophthalmology services are provided at UF Health Jacksonville hospital, a private, not-for-profit hospital affiliated with the UF Health Science Center campuses in Jacksonville and Gainesville. UF Health Ophthalmology – Jacksonville is dedicated to leading the way in patient care and vision research. Our team of University of Florida Department of Ophthalmology faculty physicians, researchers, medical technicians and support staff is dedicated to a philosophy of patient-centered care. The department uses the latest technology and fellowship-trained, board-certified physicians to set new standards in the treatment and care of ocular diseases. Built on the principles of evidence-based medicine, UF Health Ophthalmology continues to push the frontiers of vision research and discovery. The department provides an environment for active research leading to improvements in the treatment of diseases that affect the eye and visual system. You will only find this combination of patient-focused care and leading innovation in an environment such as UF Health.

The Ophthalmology Chair will join a strong leadership team that has set its sights on advancing the national profile of UF Health. The population of the area, in conjunction with the strong statewide reputation of UF Health, provides a great opportunity for clinical growth.

The University of Florida College of Medicine-Jacksonville is the largest of the three UF colleges - medicine, nursing and pharmacy - located on the approximately 110-acre UF Health Jacksonville campus. The college's 16 clinical science departments house more than 400 faculty members and 300 residents and fellows. The college offers 32 accredited graduate medical education programs. In addition to graduate medical education, clinical rotations in all the major disciplines are provided for students from the UF College of Medicine in Gainesville. Third-year medical students enrolled at UF spend about 25 percent of their training at the Jacksonville campus, gaining valuable experience in an urban setting.

Reporting to the Dean of the College of Medicine - Jacksonville, the chair is responsible for the overall administrative, academic, and clinical outcomes of the department. UF seeks an accomplished academician and clinician with an M.D. degree from an accredited school, current ABOP board certification, and have a national reputation for clinical, educational and scholarly activities appropriate for appointment to the rank of Professor or Associate Professor in either a clinical or tenure-track position. Candidates must possess significant leadership experience, such as a section or division chief, vice chair or similar role, with demonstrated fiscal and managerial responsibility. It is important for the new Chair to possess a vision to ensure that the Department grows in rank and reputation. The ideal candidate will be able to grow the department's clinical program in concert with the expansion of UF Health Jacksonville. The candidate should have national recognition and be actively involved in professional societies and physician organizations.

Please direct all nominations and applications to: Guy I. Benrub, M.D., Senior Associate Dean for Faculty Affairs; Chair, Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology; Associate Chief Medical Officer, UF Health Jacksonville. Applications should include one PDF containing the following: (1) a comprehensive letter of interest that addresses how their strengths and experience match the qualifications for the position, and what they see as challenges and opportunities of the Chair in the current academic environment; (2) a curriculum vitae, and (3) names, and contact information for three references. Documents should be submitted electronically to Ophthalmologychair@jax.ufl.edu.

The review of applications will begin immediately and will continue until the position is filled.