CALL FOR NOMINATIONS
Health Innovation Professor Appointments
Carle Illinois College of Medicine
University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign

The Carle Illinois College of Medicine (CI MED), recognized as being at the forefront of innovation in medical education and technology, seeks faculty nominations from all colleges and schools across the campus for appointments in CI MED to engage and participate as agents of change, and be champions of highly interdisciplinary health research throughout our campus and clinical communities. These faculty with Health Innovation Professor (HIP) appointments in CI MED will be discoverers of breakthroughs in health innovation, pioneers of new innovations in medical education, and drivers of technology translation for transformative societal impact. Up to 9 HIP appointments at 33% FTE each will be made in AY2022-2023.

These HIP appointments in CI MED are primarily intended for tenured associate or full professors from the Illinois campus, although nominations will be considered from exceptional late-stage, tenure-track assistant professors and from specialized faculty. Appointments will be for a 33% effort (0.33 FTE) in CI MED, with a corresponding decrease in their current appointment in their home department. HIP appointments will be for a period of 5 years and may be competitively renewed. HIP appointees will also receive $10k/year in unrestricted research support to promote their cutting-edge, high-risk, high-reward, highly interdisciplinary projects targeting transformative health innovations. These HIP appointments will facilitate immersion in the CI MED innovation ecosystem, including direct access to CI MED students, physicians, and other healthcare providers as potential collaborators who will inspire the pursuit of new frontiers in health-related research and innovative pedagogy. HIP appointees are expected to contribute directly to the CI MED mission through research, teaching, and service, as well as to serve as a bridge to their home departments for pursuing health-related research funding from government agencies, industry, foundations, and cause-based philanthropic giving.

Nominations may come from deans, department heads, or faculty colleagues. Self-nominations will also be accepted. Endorsement by the faculty member’s department head will be required to ensure that the reduced faculty appointment and the reduced teaching and service obligations in the home unit can be effectively managed.

For consideration of a HIP appointment, please submit the following by December 3, 2021:
1) Cover Letter expressing nominee’s interest and intent for participating as a CI MED HIP.
2) Letter of endorsement from the nominee’s department head.
3) Nominee’s CV.
4) Research, Teaching, and Service statements (4 pages combined maximum) specifically describing the nominee’s proposed health-related contributions and goals in CI MED.
5) Diversity, equity and inclusion (DEI) statement (1 page maximum) describing the nominee’s awareness, past efforts, and commitment to equity, diversity, and inclusion, and how their advancement of DEI will contribute to excellence in research, teaching, and service in CI MED.
6) Names and contact information of 3 internal or external references who can attest to the nominee’s potential impact and significance of their contributions to health innovations, to teaching, to DEI, and to the future of healthcare.

Submitted items (1-6 above) will constitute an application package. Application packages assembled
into a single PDF document should be emailed to Charisse Coleman (cjones1@illinois.edu). Application packages will be reviewed by a selection committee composed of faculty and administrative leaders in CI MED. Interviews of finalists and lightening overview presentations to faculty, students, and staff in CI MED will be scheduled after the application deadline. Appointments are expected to begin on August 16, 2022.

Questions regarding this HIP opportunity should be directed to the Chair of the Selection Committee, Stephen Boppart (boppart@illinois.edu), Executive Associate Dean and Chief Diversity Officer, Carle Illinois College of Medicine.

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