



CARROLL UNIVERSITY

Director, Occupational Therapy Program

Carroll University seeks a collaborative and innovative Director to foster academic excellence, assure currency, cultivate relationships, and prepare the Occupational Therapy Program for its eventual transition to the doctoral level. The Director will play an integral role in the continued development of interprofessional education initiatives within the College of Health Sciences.

The Position

Reporting to the Chair of the Department of Health and Medicine, and working closely with other Program Directors, faculty, and College of Health Sciences leadership, the Director serves as the academic leader of the Master of Occupational Therapy Program and provides management and direction for the development, operation, and evaluation of all teaching, assessment, and multidisciplinary resources. The Director supports and stimulates innovative applications of instruction, scholarship, service, and outreach; provides leadership in program assessment and accreditation; facilitates a collective vision and strategic direction; demonstrates creativity in the development and shaping of curriculum; and establishes a caring, inclusive, and motivating work and learning environment.

The Qualifications

The successful candidate will possess a terminal degree, including a post-professional OTD, PhD, EdD, or equivalent; a documented history of scholarship; a minimum three years of experience in a full-time academic appointment with teaching responsibilities at the post baccalaureate level; and administrative experience including, but not limited to, program planning and implementation, personnel management, evaluation, and budgeting. A minimum eight years of experience in the field of occupational therapy and clinical practice experience as an occupational therapist are essential. The successful candidate will be a collaborative leader with strong interpersonal and team-building skills. Teaching, scholarship, and service accomplishments as a faculty member, are also essential.

The Program

The Master of Occupational Therapy Program annually enrolls a 30-student cohort to its full-time, 24-month, 88-credit curriculum designed within the context of the Carroll University mission and ACOTE standards. The inaugural Program class earned a licensure exam pass rate of 100%. Curriculum includes a unique three-course series in the medical humanities consistent with the University's liberal arts heritage and a three-course service learning series that focuses on culturally appropriate care and service to underrepresented populations. Additionally, the Program currently has a Health Resources and Services Administration Primary Care Training and Enhancement grant, which focuses on integrative health, interprofessional experiences, and health literacy. The Program is located within a 55,000 square foot interdisciplinary graduate teaching and research facility, utilizes newly built laboratories for its state-of-the-art cadaver lab and Anatomage Dissection table, and has access to the recently opened 15,000 square foot nursing simulation laboratory.

The College

With its students accounting for approximately 60% of total enrollment, the College of Health Sciences has been a primary engine for growth at the University over the past decade. The continued growth and development of outstanding academic programs, and key partnerships that serve the current and emerging healthcare needs of the University's communities, will remain a strong priority. College faculty participate in the University's general education program and are recipients of multiple federal and private foundation grant awards, as well as teaching and research awards. A strong staff of support personnel and laboratory coordinators collaborate with faculty and College administration to create a strong culture focused on academic excellence and ongoing success.

The University

Carroll University, a highly regarded, medium-sized private university, was the first institution of higher learning in Wisconsin. Founded in 1846, two years before Wisconsin became a state, and grounded in the liberal arts tradition, Carroll is affiliated with the Presbyterian Church and affirms a mutual commitment to encourage intellectual curiosity, demonstrate excellence in education, and seek relevance in the quest of knowledge and its application in a complex global society. Over the past decade, the University has grown significantly in programs and enrollment. A new President, Dr. Cindy Gnadinger, assumed office in July 2017. She is leading the development of a new strategic plan that will drive the institution's ongoing progress in program growth and academic quality enhancement. With approximately 3,500 full-time and part-time undergraduate and graduate students, the University offers more than 95 areas of study and awards 12 degrees, including five bachelor's degrees, six master's degrees, and one doctorate degree. Carroll is home to 22 NCAA Division III athletic teams and competes in the nationally-recognized College Conference of Illinois and Wisconsin.

The Location

The University is located in suburban Waukesha, 16 miles west of Milwaukee and the Lake Michigan shoreline. Waukesha County annually ranks as one of the most highly educated, healthiest, fastest-growing, and wealthiest counties in the state of Wisconsin. The campus is nestled in a residential neighborhood within a 12-minute walk to the historic downtown. This charming riverfront city is filled with art galleries, boutique shops, and many unique restaurants and coffee shops. In 2012 the city was ranked in the top 100 for “Best Communities in the United States for Young People” by America’s Promise Alliance and “100 Best Places to Live” by *Money Magazine*. Milwaukee, Wisconsin’s largest city, provides convenient access to urban life and a multitude of opportunities for the arts, dining, shopping, museums, and sports. Wisconsin’s state capital, Madison, is located 60 miles to the west, and the world-class city of Chicago is located 90 miles to the south. Both are easily accessible by car or train.

The Invitation

Application, confidential conversation, or nomination.

To apply, please submit a complete curriculum vitae and a letter of application. The letter should summarize your professional qualifications and the accomplishments that reflect the skills, background, and experience to be successful in this key position. Successful applicants will provide specific examples of past work experience as it relates to the position responsibilities and qualities listed above. Send your application materials to me at the email address below. The deadline for receipt of applications is Friday, July 13th.

To arrange a day and time for a **confidential conversation**, simply email me at the address below.

If a colleague comes to mind you feel might have an interest, I would welcome your **nomination**. Please forward your nomination to me at the email address below or contact me by phone.

Thank you for your consideration,

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