POSITION DESCRIPTION
FACULTY DIRECTOR, CAMPUS CORE FACILITIES PROGRAM

Dept: Office of Research
Position: Faculty Director, Research Core Facilities Program
Term: 3 years on a 50% time basis

Reporting to: Vice Chancellor for Research or designate

Positions Directly Supervised:
Associate Director, Campus Core Facilities

Department Description:
The Office of Research (OR) is charged with advancing the research mission of the campus, which includes services and resources that enhance research and other creative endeavors, relationships with government and industry, policy compliance, and oversight of an infrastructure of organized research. The OR oversees over 22 organized research units, special research programs and projects, and central facilities with approximately 1,119 employees, $137 million in annual expenditures across multiple fund sources, and annual recharge income activity of $22 million. The OR also administers the campus' research support programs of approximately $2.7 million annually. The central administration units of OR (Business and Finance, Human Resources, InnovationAccess, Institutional Review Board, Interdisciplinary Research Support, Strategic Initiatives, Research Unit Development, Marketing and Communications, OR Technology, Office of Corporate Relations, Research Compliance and Integrity and Sponsored Programs) are comprised of approximately 167 employees.

Department Role:
The Faculty Director, Campus Core Facilities will oversee the administration of the new UC Davis Core Facilities Program which will be supported by a multi-million dollar multi-year investment managed by the Office of Research in collaboration with the deans of colleges and schools and a Faculty Research Advisory Council.

Essential Responsibilities:
- Provide administrative leadership and vision for the Campus Core Facilities Program.
- In consultation with the VCR and other stakeholders, develop a process for selecting core facilities that will be admitted for centralized support.
- Using the Core Research Facilities and Resources Committee Report as a template, oversee the implementation of recommendations for professionalized, state-of-the-art centralized research core facilities.
- Work closely with the Faculty Research Advisory Council, facility-specific advisory committees, facility directors and the VCR to develop metrics for the evaluation, assessment, continuation and termination of centralized research cores facilities.
- Develop a strategic plan that includes sustainability and business models for existing core services and priorities for future instrumentation and services.
In partnership with UC Davis faculty and staff, provide direction and support in implementing the vision and strategic plans for individual cores.

Ensure the development of faculty advisory groups to provide input into the decision making process for campus Cores.

Work with Core Directors to execute strategic plans, moving towards sustainability as quickly as possible.

Actively engage in grant writing to federal agencies and private corporations to obtain new instrumentation for campus core facilities.

Pursue relationships with private foundations to establish named core facilities.

Oversee the development and implementation of procedures by which internal and external investigators can gain open and fair access to resources in core facilities.

Work closely with core facility Directors and appropriate campus administrative units to develop competitive recharge rates.

Explore opportunities with other UC campuses and other universities to develop regional core facilities.

Promote the activities on and off campus, and serve as a public and professional representative of the Office of Research and the Campus Core Facilities Program.

Coordinate the submission of an annual report summarizing the activities and progress of the Campus Core Facilities Program.

Qualifications:

- Tenured Academic Senate appointment at the Associate or Full Professor level at UC Davis in a medical, science or engineering discipline.
- Distinguished track record of scholarly publication and teaching.
- Deep understanding of analytical instrumentation used in chemistry, the life sciences or engineering.
- Leadership or administrative track record, ideally with prior experience in developing or overseeing multi-faceted, interdisciplinary research enterprises within a university environment.
- Experience developing and maintaining collaborative working relationships among stakeholders and partners on campus, in university, industry, government and/or the non-profit sector.
- Excellent verbal and written communication, presentation and public speaking skills to work with others in a collegial atmosphere and represent UC Davis in public forums.
- Success in grant writing/proposal development and the acquisition of extramural funding.