



POSITION PROFILE

Father's Day Council Endowed Chair in
Juvenile Diabetes Research – Pediatric Endocrinology

University of Arizona

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ABOUT THE UNIVERSITY OF ARIZONA

Established in 1885, the University of Arizona (UA), the state's land-grant university, is a member of the prestigious Association of American Universities. Recognized as a global leader, and classified as a Carnegie R-1, UA conducts more than \$600 million in research and development activity each year and is currently ranked in the top 25 among all public universities surveyed. With two medical schools, UA produces graduates who are real-world ready through its 100% Engagement Initiative. The UA is advancing the frontiers of interdisciplinary scholarship and entrepreneurial partnerships and benefits the state with an estimated economic impact of \$8.3 billion annually. With a total faculty of 3,144, UA currently enrolls 32,987 undergraduate students in more than 300 majors, in addition to 9,249 graduate and professional students.

Located in the city of Tucson, with a campus size of 392 acres, UA offers students a wide range of activities and academic opportunities. This includes three levels of intramural sports and more than 30 fraternities and sororities, and many other student organizations. The Arizona Wildcats NCAA Division I teams compete in the Pac-12 Conference. Classified as a highest research institution, UA involves both undergraduate and graduate students in research projects. The university has a wide range of graduate programs, including the Eller College of Management, the James E. Rogers College of Law and a College of Medicine.

AT UNIVERSITY OF ARIZONA DIVERSITY IS IMPORTANT

At UA, students can choose from over 300 undergraduate and graduate degrees, many with an emphasis on diverse issues, including Mexican American Studies, Africana Studies, Women's Studies and more. UA also offers courses in nearly 40 different languages, including Native American languages. [Click here](#) to view a list of the diverse degree programs available at the UA.

The University of Arizona demonstrates diversity in every area with 24 % of graduates being students of color. In fact, the graduate programs demonstrate exceptional diversity as enrollment is the most diverse among all public institutions belonging to the Association of American Universities. The UA is ranked #1 in the number of PhDs awarded to Native American students and #9 in the number of PhDs awarded to Hispanic students.



THE UNIVERSITY OF ARIZONA HEALTH SCIENCES

The University of Arizona Health Sciences is the statewide leader in biomedical research and health professions training. UA Health Sciences includes the College of Medicine-Tucson, College of Medicine-Phoenix, College of Nursing, College of Pharmacy, and the Mel and Enid Zuckerman College of Public Health. The University of Arizona Health Sciences is a network of health-related organizations that had its beginnings on the UA campus in Tucson, more than 40 years ago. UAHS is based on the campus of The University of Arizona in Tucson while maintaining a growing presence on the Phoenix Biomedical Campus in downtown Phoenix. The UA Health Sciences reaches the greater Southwest to provide cutting-edge health education, research, patient care, and community outreach services. A major economic engine, the UA Health Sciences employs almost 4,000 people, has nearly 800 faculty members and garners more than \$140 million in research grants and contracts annually.



THE COLLEGE OF MEDICINE - TUCSON

The [University of Arizona College of Medicine – Tucson](#) provides state-of-the-art programs of medical education, groundbreaking research opportunities, and leading-edge patient care. Founded on the campus of the University of Arizona in 1967 as the state’s only MD degree-granting college and a resource for the people of Arizona, today the UA College of Medicine ranks among the top medical schools in the nation for research and primary care. From an initial class of just 32 students, the UA College of Medicine today has graduated more than 4,000 physicians. College of Medicine students, faculty, staff, and alumni today continue more than 50 years of service in advancing medical care and knowledge in Arizona—and around the world. Students at the Tucson campus benefit from the proximity of 19 academic and clinical departments, and more than a dozen clinical and research centers committed to research and patient care. Numerous educational and community outreach programs help to foster a culture of professionalism and service.

THE DEPARTMENT OF PEDIATRICS

Dedicated faculty within the [Department of Pediatrics](#) take care of thousands of sick children in Southern Arizona and around the state, providing general pediatric and subspecialty services. Children are cared for at [Banner Children's at Diamond Children's Medical Center](#) and at outpatient clinics throughout Tucson. Moreover, the faculty holds specialty clinics in rural areas throughout Arizona.

Finally, the faculty physician-scientists and researchers are improving children's health through the [UA Steele Children's Research Center](#), the research arm of the department. Steele Center researchers and physician-scientists are committed to advancing medical knowledge through basic science and translational research to help improve the health of Arizona's children and children throughout the world. Training is provided to graduate students, post-docs, and fellows who are interested in pediatric medical research careers.





THE OPPORTUNITY

Father's Day Council Endowed Chair in Juvenile Diabetes Research Division of Pediatric Endocrinology

The [Department of Pediatrics](#) at the University of Arizona, in conjunction with the [Steele Children's Research Center](#), seeks candidates for the **Father's Day Council Endowed Chair in Juvenile Diabetes Research** in the [Division of Pediatric Endocrinology](#). This position is open to scientists with an international reputation in research scholarship and education in the field of molecular endocrinology. The ideal candidate will be a funded investigator who will lead the research program working in Type I Diabetes immunology or beta cell biology, including stem cell therapy or islet transplantation. A junior investigator with the potential to get RO1 funding will be seriously considered as well. The research environment includes state-of-the-art modular laboratories in the Steele Children's Research Center - one of fourteen centers of excellence at the University of Arizona College of Medicine. In this state-of-the-art facility, internationally known scientists and physicians research the causes of and develop cures for childhood illnesses and diseases.

In addition to government funding, the Tucson community strongly supports juvenile diabetes research and provides regular, continual funding that can be used at your discretion. The opportunity exists to greatly expand this funding.

Duties and Responsibilities

- Maintain and continue to develop an extramurally funded research program.
- Participate in the activities of the Steele Children's Research Center.
- Help promote professional development among existing faculty.
- Attract and retain highly motivated and well-qualified faculty, staff and students to the Center.
- Minimal patient care expectation for clinicians.

Qualifications

- MD, PhD, or MD/PhD.
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- Evidence of academic productivity with strong publication record.
- Ability to work with diverse students and colleagues, and experience with a variety of teaching methods and curricular perspectives.
- Demonstrated leadership of a successful and relevant research program preferred.
- National and/or international recognition in the field of Type 1 Diabetes preferred.



PROCEDURE FOR CANDIDACY

Confidential review of applications will begin immediately and continue until the position is filled; **parties who apply before or by April 1, 2019 will be given first consideration.** Interested candidates should submit a curriculum vitae and a letter of interest.

To apply online, go to <https://theapplicantmanager.com/jobs?pos=su145>

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At the University of Arizona, we value our inclusive climate because we know that diversity in experiences and perspectives is vital to advancing innovation, critical thinking, solving complex problems, and creating an inclusive academic community. As a Hispanic-serving institution, we translate these values into action by seeking individuals who have experience and expertise working with diverse students, colleagues, and constituencies. Because we seek a workforce with a wide range of perspectives and experiences, we provide equal employment opportunities to applicants and employees without regard to race, color, religion, sex, national origin, age, disability, veteran status, sexual orientation, gender identity, or genetic information. As an Employer of National Service, we also welcome alumni of AmeriCorps, Peace Corps, and other national service programs and others who will help us advance our Inclusive Excellence initiative aimed at creating a university that values student, staff and faculty engagement in addressing issues of diversity and inclusiveness.



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TUCSON, ARIZONA

Tucson is a city in Arizona's Sonoran Desert and home to the University of Arizona. Surrounded by multiple mountain ranges, including the Santa Catalinas, Tucson combines a friendly and laid-back atmosphere with the energy of a diverse metropolitan area. It is a place where residents have the opportunity to express themselves and find community with others of similar beliefs, learn from those of different cultures and backgrounds, and exchange differing ideas and perspectives in positive and meaningful ways. Tucson is a special place to call home. Founded in 1775, Tucson is a vibrant community, rich in history and culture that encompasses a unique blend of Native American, Spanish, Mexican, and Anglo-American influences.

This eclectic city gets 350+ days of sunshine per year accompanied by awesome summer monsoon showers that provide moisture for life to sustain itself through nine months of sunny, bright blue skies. With beautiful weather, scenery, and little to no humidity, Tucson is a paradise for anyone who enjoys biking, hiking, swimming, tennis, or golf. Grassy parks, mountain trails, and bicycle-friendly urban and rural roads create recreational opportunities like nowhere on earth. It offers an abundance of outdoor and urban opportunities to suit everyone. The downtown is divided into four districts with unique businesses, restaurants, arts, and nightlife making it the perfect place for a family outing or date night.

- Ranked **#3 of the Best Places to Visit in Arizona** by U.S World and News Report
- Ranked **#55 out of the top 100 Green Cities** by bestplaces.net

Tucson's population is growing rapidly. The low cost of living and diversity in housing choices are very attractive to residents. Whether you want to be close to Tucson's urban downtown or settle in one of the suburban communities, such as Oro Valley, Marana, Sahuarita, or Vail, you will feel right at home.



Tucson offers a unique streetcar that can transport passengers between its districts.

For more information, visit:
<https://www.arizona.edu/wildcats-guide-tucson>
<https://tucsonchamber.org/>
<https://www.visittucson.org/>