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Position Profile

Chair, Department of Pharmaceutics and Pharmaceutical Chemistry

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THE INSTITUTION

The state's oldest and largest institution of higher education, **University of Utah** is the flagship university of the state and boasts 18 schools and colleges and offers more than 100 undergraduate and 90 graduate degree programs to more than 32,000 students. The University is noted for its research profile (Research Highest), its diversity of ideas and people, its stunningly beautiful setting and the warmth, friendliness, and collegiality of its faculty, staff, and students. To learn more: <http://www.utah.edu>

The **University of Utah Health** (U of U Health) is a patient-focused center distinguished by collaboration, excellence, leadership, and respect. The University of Utah Health Care system was ranked #1 in quality among academic medical centers nationally (Vizient Quality and Accountability Study) and is ranked second nationally for creating start-up companies from university research. U of U Health has five schools/colleges: School of Medicine, College of Pharmacy, College of Nursing, College of Health, and School of Dentistry. The U of U Health values candidates who are committed to fostering and furthering the culture of compassion, collaboration, innovation, accountability, diversity, integrity, quality, and trust that is integral to its mission. To learn more: <https://uofuhealth.utah.edu/about.php>

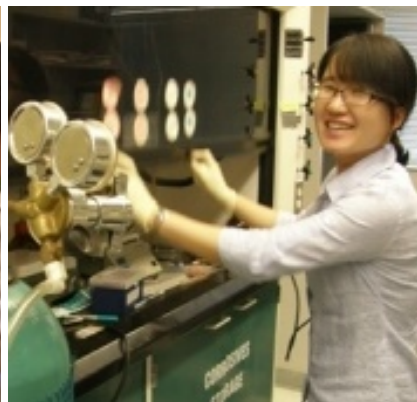
COLLEGE OF PHARMACY

The **College of Pharmacy** has four departments: Departments of Medicinal Chemistry, Pharmacology and Toxicology, Pharmacotherapy, and Pharmaceutics and Pharmaceutical Chemistry. The College has been among the nation's top recipients of NIH research support for more than 40 years. It continues to be a leader in research, currently ranked #8 in grants from the National Institutes of Health (NIH). The college is a national leader in applying science to personalized medicine to improve health care delivery through optimized medication outcomes. To learn more: <https://pharmacy.utah.edu/>

A Top 20 Ranked College of Pharmacy

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THE DEPARTMENT OF PHARMACEUTICS AND PHARMACEUTICAL CHEMISTRY

The Department of Pharmaceutics and Pharmaceutical Chemistry plays a critical role in the major initiatives of U of U Health and the College of Pharmacy. It is one of the most recognized departments of its type in the nation. The department includes nine tenured or tenure-track faculty, three Distinguished Professors, two members of National Academies, one clinical faculty member, six research faculty members, and two adjunct faculty (on site). Research and teaching within the department include diverse disciplines that contribute to the development and optimization of novel drug delivery systems, from the systemic to the molecular level. Areas of research emphasis in the department include, among others, therapeutics design and targeting, polymeric drug delivery, nanomedicine, diagnostics, and gene therapy.

The global market for drug delivery technologies will reach \$26 billion (\$7.7 billion in the U.S.) by 2020. This year, 39% of all pharmaceutical sales will involve drug delivery technologies (GBI Research). The enormous global market and numerous examples of pharmaceutics addressing patient needs underscore the significance of the University of Utah's research and teaching endeavors. To learn more: <https://pharmacy.utah.edu/pharmaceutics/>

Selected department highlights include:

- New, state-of-the-art Skaggs Pharmacy Research Institute building;
- Ranked as the #1 department in Research Impact at the University of Utah (Academic Analytics);
- Ranked "Top 4" department for two decades (Academic Analytics);
- Faculty Rated #1 in Productivity - "the most productive faculty among all U.S. pharmaceutical chemistry sciences," from The Chronicle of Higher Education and Academic Analytics;
- Two Elected National Academy Members: Sung Wan Kim, National Academy of Medicine and National Academy of Engineering; Jindrich Kopeček, National Academy of Engineering and National Academy of Inventors;
- H-index of top three faculty >86 with over 83,000 cumulative citations;
- 174 patents filed, 233 patent disclosures with 14 licensed (exclusive), several companies started;
- Active collaborations with ~100 scientists locally, nationally, and internationally.

CAMPUS

The University of Utah is located on a beautiful campus of 1,500 acres in a cosmopolitan city where there is true balance of life, including access to the finest outdoor recreational activities and cultural pursuits.



THE OPPORTUNITY

The Department of Pharmaceutics and Pharmaceutical Chemistry is seeking its next Chair and Eccles Presidential Professor. Building on the department's legacy of excellence and innovation, the new Department Chair will have the opportunity to continue to move the department forward with a cutting-edge vision. The successful candidate will have the resources to recruit several new faculty members and to develop additional innovative research programs in the department. The new chair will be expected to maintain a world-class research program, providing strategic leadership and direction for all aspects of the department, and have responsibility for the coordination and administration of the overall academic agenda and education activities in the department and college.

Major responsibilities include:

- Setting a vision and executing the strategic direction for the department;
- Recruiting outstanding faculty and building new research programs;
- Providing inspirational mentorship of department faculty, fellows, students, and staff;
- Maintaining and supporting an active and productive research program;
- Participating in and providing leadership for the department in the areas of research, teaching, and service;
- Providing leadership within the college as a member of the Executive Committee;
- Engaging with faculty across the health sciences to enhance interdisciplinary research and teaching;
- Managing the departmental budget.

QUALIFICATIONS: Successful candidates should possess the following:

- Either a PhD, PharmD, or MD degree (or a combination thereof);
- Demonstrated scholarly and/or professional achievement with distinction sufficient to merit appointment at the rank of professor is desired;
- Demonstrated ability to serve as a leader and build collaborative teams within and across departments;
- International reputation for research accomplishments;
- Commitment to teaching excellence in subjects relevant to both graduate (PhD) and professional (PharmD) programs in the College of Pharmacy;
- Because the Department Chair will be given the opportunity to recruit new faculty and expand the research scope of the department, a compelling vision for the future of the department is essential;
- Excellent managerial and communication skills.

PROCEDURE FOR CANDIDACY

Confidential review of applications will begin immediately and continue until the position is filled; **parties who apply by August 20, 2019 will be given first consideration.** Please submit a PDF version of your current CV and a letter of interest that includes a brief statement of leadership, educational, and research goals. All applications and nominations will be held in confidence. To apply online: <https://theapplicantmanager.com/jobs?pos=su165>

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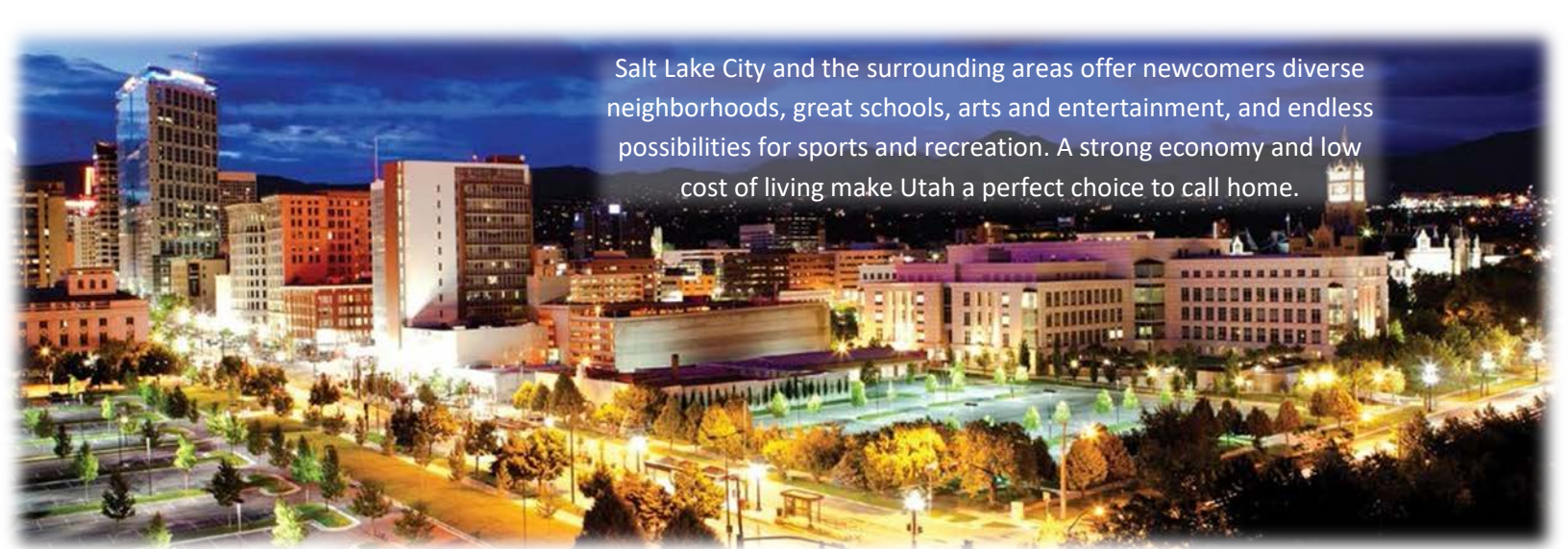
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Salt Lake City and the surrounding areas offer newcomers diverse neighborhoods, great schools, arts and entertainment, and endless possibilities for sports and recreation. A strong economy and low cost of living make Utah a perfect choice to call home.

SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH

Frequently listed by national magazines and websites among the “best places to live” due to a variety of factors including recreational options, the business environment, climate, and a low crime rate, Salt Lake City is among the 50 largest metropolitan markets in the United States. Sitting at an elevation of 5,000 feet above sea level, the University is set on the east bench of the Salt Lake Valley. To the west stretches the entire valley, to the east the towering mountains of the Wasatch Range.

The international airport is just nine minutes from downtown, and getting around is easy on TRAX, the city’s ever-expanding light rail transit system. TRAX lines now connect the campus with the airport and all sections of the Salt Lake Valley.

Recently, Salt Lake City was named one of “6 Unexpected Cities That Are Leading the Hyper-Local Food Movement” by Livability.com. In addition to the diverse assortment of restaurants and bars (with culinary options running the gamut from tapas bars to nouvelle cuisine), there are two beautiful mixed-use shopping/living areas - The Gateway, just to the west of downtown, and City Creek, right in the heart of downtown. The NBA’s Utah Jazz is a downtown staple, as is the Triple-A Salt Lake Bees of baseball’s Pacific Coast League.

Utahans really spend much of their time outdoors. From campus, seven world-renowned ski resorts are just 30 minutes away. Five National Parks are within a five-hour drive. Forty golf courses are strategically located throughout the valley and nearby mountains. And hundreds of miles of hiking and biking trails can be accessed just to the east of campus. For a quick getaway, the historic mining town of Park City is just a 30-minute drive from Salt Lake.

Beyond the state, Los Angeles is a 10-hour drive to the southwest, Las Vegas six hours due south. To the north, Boise is four and a half hours, Denver eight hours to the east.



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Salt Lake Chamber, <http://slchamber.com/>

Visit Salt Lake, <http://www.visitsaltlake.com/>

Utah.com, <http://utah.com/salt-lake-city>

