



Applicants are invited for the position of the **Director of the Johns Hopkins University Center on Aging and Health**. The Center on Aging and Health (COAH) is a vibrant multidisciplinary center approaching its 25th anniversary with the mission to optimize the health and well-being of older adults and across the life-course through innovative research, leadership, education, and service that meets the needs and goals of a diverse aging population. COAH is primarily housed in the Division of Geriatric Medicine and Gerontology within the Department of Medicine but is a cross-disciplinary center that includes diverse faculty and trainees across the Schools of Medicine, Public Health, and Nursing. The Johns Hopkins Schools of Medicine, Public Health and Nursing are world-leading centers of academic excellence. Aging is an affirmed priority for each. Please see “Fact sheet about JHU COAH” for more details on the rich environment and related resources.

COAH currently has 42 faculty members from 19 different departments or divisions across three schools. The COAH core faculty bring over \$28,000,000 per year in grant funding for aging-related research and training. Historically, the COAH research focus has highlighted population aging topics. While maintaining this focus, COAH is proud of a diverse and innovative research portfolio which spans family caregiving, cognitive and sensory functioning, physical mobility, social engagement, health equity, and frailty and resiliency. COAH is also home to active predoctoral and postdoctoral training programs; education and mentoring are an important facet of its mission.

The Director of COAH will be the spokesperson and advocate for the Center across the Schools of Medicine, Public Health, and Nursing and the University as a whole. The Director will oversee the Center’s research and educational activities with the goal to refine and enhance the Center’s mission through innovative and collaborative research programs and active mentorship. The Director will build upon the Center’s rich foundation to effectively guide the growth of the Center as a national leader with expertise in population-based aging research and as a model of multidisciplinary collaboration. Responsibilities include, but are not limited to, the following:

- Grow existing and create novel research programs and projects;
- Lead collaborations and projects that can compete successfully for center grants (e.g. P30, U01);
- Maintain forums for interdisciplinary academic partnership with other schools, departments, and other centers conducting aging-related research with the intent to grow research partnerships and interdisciplinary visibility;
- Foster synergy for training on aging at Johns Hopkins;
- Provide active mentorship to trainees and faculty to promote and safeguard their success;
- Work directly with division director, administrator, and other divisional leaders to ensure that appropriate financial support is in place for long-term success of Center/Division sponsored funding profile;
- Attract new trainees and investigators to the Center on Aging and Health to further enhance center, divisional, departmental, and institutional efforts.

Candidates must have expertise in aging research and population health, demonstrated experience leading multidisciplinary teams, a strong track record in mentorship, and strong commitment to health equity. Successful candidates will have a record of innovative and effective administrative and fiscal leadership, national stature in his or her field, and demonstrated dedication to promoting the health and well-being of older adults. Candidates must have an MD, PhD, or equivalent degree, and an academic record consistent with the rank of Associate or Full Professor at Johns Hopkins. The successful candidate will have the demonstrated capacity to foster an environment in which excellence in research, scholarship, teaching, and clinical programs can simultaneously flourish. A demonstrated commitment to promoting a diverse, inclusive academic environment is required.

The search committee will accept nominations and applications until the position is filled. However, the committee strongly encourages applicants to submit their materials by the priority deadline of May 1, 2022. To apply for this position please submit your CV and cover letter to Jonathan Leer at jleer1@jhmi.edu.

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