Program Director for the Doctor of Physical Therapy Program (DPT)

Indiana Wesleyan University is pleased to announce the launch of a Doctor of Physical Therapy Program and invites applications and nominations for the full-time founding Director. The Director will serve as the strategic academic and operational leader of the Doctor of Physical Therapy program by providing leadership for the faculty in terms of program development, accreditation self-study, curriculum, administration, teaching, research, and service. The Directors for the DPT, OTD, MPH, and post-professional MSAT programs will work cooperatively with an interprofessional focus in the development of the respective health sciences programs. The Director coordinates Health Science initiatives with leaders of other IWU academic and operational units to achieve the University’s mission. The director is also responsible for attaining and maintaining CAPTE accreditation. The director will pursue academic excellence within the program by providing program leadership, promoting the program and enhancing its visibility, assisting with recruiting and retaining students, and managing the day-to-day logistics of the program.

The ideal candidate should have/be:

- An academic terminal degree in Physical Therapy or related field (required - PhD, EdD or DSc)
- A licensed physical therapist and eligible for licensure in Indiana
- Experience preparing for, obtaining and maintaining CAPTE accreditation
- Administrative experience (including program planning and implementation, personnel management, evaluation and budgeting)
- A strong record of scholarship and distinguished history of teaching and service
- 6 years of full time higher education experience and a minimum of 3 years full-time experience in a physical therapist education program

The Program:

Indiana Wesleyan University is developing a Doctor of Physical Therapy Program which is being designed to meet accreditation standards established by CAPTE. The focus of the program is to offer a Christ-centered program with a mission to train physical therapists who demonstrate service, leadership and fundamentals of empathetic care within the profession of physical therapy with their patients, and throughout their local and global communities.

Facilities:

Ott Hall of Sciences and Nursing opened in the spring of 2014. The 111,250 square foot health sciences building provides students expanded state-of-the-art teaching laboratories, research laboratories and student interaction areas.

The University:

Indiana Wesleyan University is an evangelical Christian comprehensive university of The Wesleyan Church. The University was founded in 1920 as Marion College and is committed to liberal arts and professional education.
Indiana Wesleyan is the largest member of the Council for Christian Colleges and Universities, the largest private college in Indiana, based on enrollment, and is one of the largest employers in Grant County.

More than 3,000 students are enrolled in traditional programs on the University’s 350-acre residential campus in Marion, IN. Most buildings on the Marion campus have been built in the past 25 years, so students live and learn in a visually striking environment with well-appointed residence halls and academic facilities.

IWU offers more than 80 undergraduate degrees, 38 graduate degrees and 5 doctoral degrees and students represent more than 80 Christian denominations and 10 foreign countries. Indiana Wesleyan University is an energized community committed to changing the world. We guide students in discovering their individual purpose and life calling and help them develop in character, scholarship and leadership.

Scholarship at IWU builds on distinguished academics through high-quality, collaborative work by students and faculty members. Professors offer spiritual and academic mentoring and discipleship, and students flourish from individual attention. IWU's spiritually rich learning environment, academic commitment and caring instruction develop in students the knowledge, skills and disposition to change the world for Jesus Christ.

**Location:**
Marion, Indiana, is located in Grant County and has a population of over 31,000. Large metropolitan areas are a short drive away as Marion is approximately a one hour drive from Indianapolis and Fort Wayne.

Quality of life resources abound in Grant County from walking trails, a Civic Theater, the Philharmonic Orchestra, the Community School of the Arts and even a water park.

Three nearby reservoirs provide recreational opportunities year round. Additionally, the Grant county area is home to six excellent golf courses and specialty boutiques and restaurants.

With Marion General Hospital as Grant County’s premier medical facility, the Healthcare system is top of its class. Consistently ranked high in regional quality of care listings and customer satisfaction surveys, Marion General Hospital’s more than 100 physicians provide the latest and best care in their specialties.

Grant County offers families an excellent cost of living and provides several different options, both public and private, for primary and secondary education.

**Applications:**
All correspondence relating to the position of Director of the Doctor of Physical Therapy Program (DPT) at Indiana Wesleyan University should be directed in confidence to the University’s executive recruitment consultant:
The full and complete application should contain the following information:

1) A cover letter outlining your experience as a physical therapist and/or in related fields in higher education. Special attention will be paid to those applicants who have started, developed, and/or expanded a Master's or Doctoral program for physical therapy.
2) A complete CV outlining your career in higher education and within health related areas.
3) The names of five professional references including their relationship to you, their position, email, and direct phone numbers. References will not be contacted without written permission.

Applications submitted by April 18, 2016 will receive priority consideration. This search will remain open until the position is filled.

I look forward to hearing from you.

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