POSITION PROFILE
Chair, Department of Pharmaceutical Sciences
February 2022
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The Skaggs School of Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Science at the University of Colorado Anschutz Medical Campus seeks a chair for the Department of Pharmaceutical Sciences. The Chair would lead a robust research-intensive department in a school which has been ranked in the top 10% of all schools of pharmacy for both total and NIH funding for many years.

The successful candidate will join a department that has 37 faculty with an international reputation in pharmaceutical biotechnology, toxicology, pharmacokinetics, systems approaches, drug discovery, and translational sciences. Pharmacological specialty areas include cancer, neuro- and antiviral pharmacology.

Serving across the campus and beyond, the Department includes the Centers for: Pharmaceutical Biotechnology, Translational Pharmacokinetics and Pharmacogenomics, Nanomedicine and Nanosafety, and Drug Discovery, while Departmental core facilities include High Throughput/High Content screening, Computational Chemistry and Biochemistry, Medicinal Chemistry, and Metabolomics/Proteomics. The cutting-edge research includes basic, translational, and clinical approaches interfacing with the research activities of a comprehensive academic health center including the Schools of Medicine, Public Health, Dentistry and Nursing.

The Department works together with the Department of Clinical Pharmacy to implement and develop the educational offerings of the school which include the entry level PharmD program and the online PharmD options, as well as Masters and PhD programs. Departmental Masters programs are offered in the Pharmaceutical Sciences with specialty tracks in Cannabis Science and Medicine, Clinical Pharmacokinetics and Pharmacodynamics, Drug Discovery, Molecular and Systems Toxicology, and Pharmaceutical Biotechnology and Drug Delivery. PhD programs are offered in both Toxicology and Pharmaceutical Sciences.
The department seeks:

- An accomplished and creative leader who will build on the foundations of excellence established in the department, stimulate innovation and promote advances in the department’s research and educational enterprises.

- A successful individual who will have a vision that integrates the expertise of current faculty with the ability to drive pharmaceutical biotechnology, therapeutic innovation, and the next generation of drug discoveries.

- A chair who will be critical to developing new large collaborative team science programs in the school and across the campus.

- An engaged professional who will be responsible for mentoring and developing faculty, overseeing the department’s budget and other resources and be an integral member of the school’s leadership team.

The successful candidate will:

- Hold a PhD (or equivalent degree) with strong academic credentials expected for appointment at the rank of full professor with tenure.

- Have an internationally-recognized and extramurally-funded research program.

- Provide demonstrable evidence of strong interpersonal, leadership, and management skills.

- Demonstrate evidence of commitment to diversity and inclusion in research, teaching, and service.
The Department of Pharmaceutical Sciences is committed to excellence in teaching, research and service. Our teaching activities are primarily in the PharmD, MS (Pharmaceutical Sciences) and PhD programs (Pharmaceutical Sciences and Toxicology). The department is a research-intensive environment with dynamic faculty at the forefront of research in their respective disciplines.

Personalized or precision medicine necessitates a comprehensive and integrated approach to mechanisms underlying drug action. While pursuing new initiatives in Clinical and Translational Sciences, Pharmacogenomics, Systems Approaches, Medicinal Chemistry and Drug Discovery, the department continues to build in its core areas of Pharmaceutical Biotechnology, Biophysics, Toxicology and Cancer Pharmacology and interfaces with the Center for Pharmaceutical Outcomes Research and multiple clinical specialties in the Department of Clinical Pharmacy.

The department is also home to the new Center for Drug Discovery, the only facility of its kind in the central U.S. focused solely on reducing the time and cost of screening new drugs and therapies. The Center is powered by a new high throughput automated robotic system which can cut screening time in half relative to more conventional high throughput approaches, has diverse drug libraries and considerable experience using biologic and cell-based approaches.

THE DEPARTMENT OF PHARMACEUTICAL SCIENCES

To perform outstanding teaching and research in the basic, translational and clinical sciences; to provide exemplary institutional and professional service and to promote faculty growth and development.
OUR SCHOOL
The University of Colorado Skaggs School of Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Sciences is ranked in the top 15% of all pharmacy schools in the country, top 10% in NIH funding, and our graduates enjoy a 95% employment rate within six months of graduation. For more than 110 years we have been a leader in diversity, innovation and patient care, recently receiving the American Association of Colleges of Pharmacy Award for Excellence in Assessment. For more than 20 years, the School has offered distance degrees and programs to an international audience and continues to develop market-driven degrees in emerging fields like Cannabis Science and Medicine.

OUR FACULTY AND STUDENTS
Our faculty are international leaders in their field. They author many of the books that are utilized by pharmacy students around the nation. They hold national advocacy positions and have been instrumental in countless research breakthroughs. Our students come from across the nation and around the world. Their drive and diversity create a dynamic teaching and learning environment.
The University of Colorado Anschutz Medical Campus is a world-class medical destination at the forefront of transformative science, medicine, education and patient care. The campus is where leaders, entrepreneurs and other thinkers work together to reshape the future of health care.

The campus encompasses the University of Colorado health professional schools, more than 60 centers and institutes, and two nationally ranked independent hospitals - UHealth University of Colorado Hospital and Children’s Hospital Colorado - that treat more than two million adult and pediatric patients each year. A third hospital, the affiliated VA Hospital, is located immediately adjacent to the campus.

- The first use of human cell cloning to study genetics and cancer.
- The development of the first vaccine for shingles.
- The first liver transplant ever performed in the world.

Home to these groundbreaking medical discoveries and many more, CU Anschutz is driven by the multidisciplinary approach of our researchers and clinicians across the spectrum of science and medicine.

Innovative, interconnected and highly collaborative, the University of Colorado Anschutz Medical Campus delivers life-changing treatments, patient care and professional training and conducts world-renowned research fueled by over $650 million in research grants.

Faculty research is supported by core laboratories located on the Anschutz Medical Campus, which features over 5 million square feet of research, educational and clinical space on 227 acres.

Opening spring 2022, the Anschutz Health Sciences Building, is a stunning seven-story building which will house the new Research Pharmacy operated by the Skaggs School of Pharmacy and integrates functionality, healing and future-mindedness. The integration of disciplines within the building — including personalized and precision medicine, biostatistics and informatics, mental and behavioral health, health policy and health-outcomes research — will further help to reshape the health care system.
**Application Materials Required:** Cover Letter, Resume/CV, List of References

**Application Materials Instructions:**

Applications are accepted electronically at [CU Careers](#), refer to requisition ID: 24686

When applying, applicants must include:

1. A letter of application which specifically addresses the job requirements and outlines qualifications
2. A current Resume/CV
3. The names, addresses, daytime telephone numbers and e-mail addresses for three professional references, either attached to your resume/CV or uploaded as a separate document

Please be advised that the University does check references as part of the employment process.

Please do not submit any of your application material (via email) to the job posting contact.

- Job Category: Faculty
- Primary Location: Aurora

**Department:** U0001 -- DENVER & ANSCHUTZ MED CAMPUS - 20518 - SOP-Administration

- Schedule: Full-time
- Posting Date: Feb 4, 2022
- Unposting Date: Ongoing

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**Position Number:** 00793930
The CU Anschutz Medical Campus is located in Aurora, Colorado, part of the Denver metropolitan area. As such, it’s home to a dynamic mix of city sophistication and outdoor adventure. The Mile High City boasts 300 days of sunshine, a thriving cultural scene, diverse neighborhoods and natural beauty. A few highlights include:

- US News & World Report ranked Denver the #2 best place to live in the country, based on affordability, job prospects and quality of life.
- Red Rocks Amphitheatre – the world’s only naturally formed, acoustically perfect venue – was most attended concert venue of any size, anywhere in the world for 2021, according to Billboard Magazine.
- Denver is home to six professional sports teams and countless personal sporting and recreation opportunities. Forbes ranks Denver as the #8 “Best Sports City” in the country.
- Denver is the fourth-fittest city in the country, citing factors like proximity to outdoor space, physical activity options and residents’ personal health (American Fitness Index).
- Denver’s climate and mindset are conducive to being in the great outdoors, whether hiking, biking, running or walking. Outdoorsy, named Denver the #1 “Hottest Summer Destination” based on its proximity to the Rocky Mountains and various outdoor adventures.
- Denver International Airport is the 3rd largest and one of the best airports in the U.S. (World Airport Awards) making it convenient for both domestic and international travel.

For more information, visit: https://www.denver.org/