



Cornell University

## POSITION ANNOUNCEMENT

### Dean, College of Human Ecology

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Cornell University invites applications and nominations for the position of Dean of the College of Human Ecology.

The College of Human Ecology is consistently ranked first in the nation among colleges of its kind, offering multi-disciplinary undergraduate and graduate academic programs that focus on the interaction of humans with their biological, economic, social, and physical environments. The College has achieved distinction in all its program areas: nutrition, health, human development, design and technology, and economic and social well-being. The College responds to human needs and aims to influence policy in New York State, the nation, and the world through integrated programs of research, education, and outreach.

The Dean is the chief academic and administrative officer of a College with approximately 90 faculty and a student body of more than 1,200 undergraduate and 200 graduate students. The College includes four departments – Design & Environmental Analysis, Human Development, Policy Analysis & Management, and Fiber Science & Apparel Design – as well as the Division of Nutritional Sciences, which is administered jointly with the College of Agriculture and Life Sciences. In addition, the College is home to the Bronfenbrenner Life Course Center and the Family Life Development Center. The Dean has responsibility for leadership of the College and its relationship to the university administration. As a member of Cornell's senior administrative team, the Dean reports to the Provost and works closely with other deans and executive officers on behalf of the university as a whole.

Cornell is the Land Grant University for the State of New York and operates twelve colleges of which four, including the College of Human Ecology, are state assisted. The Dean works with the university administration to foster relationships with the State of New York and the State University of New York (SUNY). In addition, the Dean shares leadership responsibility for Cornell Cooperative Extension with the Dean of the College of Agriculture and Life Sciences.

The ideal candidate will possess the following characteristics:

- A record of accomplishment as a scholar, coupled with a commitment to research as the foundation for learning, teaching, and practical application;
- Demonstrated creative leadership and administrative experience in an academic setting;
- Capacity to advance the College's mission and interests within and outside of the University while marshalling the resources necessary to focus the College's efforts;
- Readiness to support multi-disciplinary, problem-focused research that is consciously integrated with disciplinary research initiatives across the University;
- Recognition and encouragement of national and international partnerships to promote real world application of the College's academic innovations;
- A willingness and ability to enhance alumni relations and to spearhead fund raising;
- Excellent communication, problem-solving, and negotiation skills;
- The capacity to engage with multiple constituencies, including students, faculty, staff, and alumni, as well as leaders in the business, political, social, and governmental sectors locally, nationally, and internationally; and
- A commitment to building additional diversity among the College's students, faculty, and staff.

In keeping with Cornell University's commitment to building a culturally-diverse community, nominations of and applications from underrepresented groups are particularly encouraged. Applications should include a statement of interest and a curriculum vita. Applications and nominations will be kept strictly confidential. The review of materials will begin immediately and continue until the new dean is selected.

Send materials to: College of Human Ecology Dean Search Manager, 440 Day Hall, Cornell University, Ithaca, NY 14853-2801. Or electronically to [chedeanssearch@cornell.edu](mailto:chedeanssearch@cornell.edu).