Professor in Neuroscience and Director of Neuroscience Centre

The Chinese University of Hong Kong (CUHK) seeks to appoint a distinguished scholar as the academic and executive director of the Gerald Chua Neuroscience Centre (GCNC). As an important discipline in biomedical science, neuroscience research at CUHK has a long history and notable achievements. Established with a generous and purposeful philanthropic endowment, the GCNC aims to be a world-class centre of excellence in multi-disciplinary neuroscience research, including neurogenetics, neural circuits and behavior, regenerative neuroscience, neural-vasculature interactions, neuromodulation and brain-machine interface, and other key research areas in neuroscience.

Applicants should be an accomplished academic with (i) an outstanding record of scholarship appropriate for senior appointment at the level of a full Professor; (ii) an appreciation of the breadth and depth of neuroscience, in particular the development of cutting-edge innovations; (iii) experience in leading well-funded, internationally-recognized, and multi-disciplinary collaborative research programmes; (iv) demonstrated leadership and management ability at an appropriate level in higher education institutions; (v) long-term vision for the development of a contemporary centre of research excellence; and (vi) excellent interpersonal and communication skills to enable professional consortial interactions among different stakeholders.

The appointee will (a) be responsible for the vision and stewardship of the research centre; (b) undertake overall responsibilities for academic, staff and resource matters; and (c) provide strong academic leadership especially in planning and leading research directions of the centre. Depending on his/her specialty area of scholarly interests, the selected candidate will be affiliated to an academic unit. While appointment will normally be made on contract basis for up to five years initially, outstanding candidate with an exceptional record of research and scholarship and a remarkable academic standing internationally will be considered for substantive appointment with tenure forthwith. Salary and fringe benefits for the post will be highly competitive, commensurate with qualifications and experience.

Founded in 1963, The Chinese University of Hong Kong (CUHK) is a forward-looking comprehensive research university with a global vision and a mission to combine tradition with modernity, and to bring together China and the West. The University is home to nearly 17,000 undergraduate and 3,600 postgraduate students from around the world. As a top university in Hong Kong and Asia, CUHK aims to nurture students with both specialized knowledge and wisdom for life. The education experience at CUHK is distinguished by a flexible credit unit system, a College system, bilingualism and multiculturalism. CUHK offers general education courses to broaden students’ perspectives and develop in them the ability to face the challenges of contemporary society. Members of the university community undertake a wide range of research programmes in many subject areas, and the University strives to provide scope for all academic staff to undertake consultancy and collaborative projects with industry. The University’s insistence on the highest standards of research has won it an enviable research reputation. With a team of over 3,000 full-time teaching and research staff, the University offers a broad spectrum of programmes up to the PhD level in various disciplines across its eight Faculties (Arts, Business Administration, Education, Engineering, Law, Medicine, Science and Social Science). Further information about CUHK may be found online at http://www.cuhk.edu.hk.

How to Apply
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Consideration of applications/nominations will begin in April/May 2019 and will continue until the post is filled. The University reserves the right to fill the post by invitation.