



# TEXAS WOMAN'S UNIVERSITY™

## TEXAS WOMAN'S UNIVERSITY—DENTON CAMPUS CHAIR AND PROFESSOR OF THE DEPARTMENT OF BIOLOGY

Texas Woman's University—the nation's largest university primarily for women (with about 15,000 students)—seeks a dynamic, innovative leader to be Chair and Professor in the Department of Biology. The Chair will report to Dr. Abigail C. Tilton, Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences, and will serve on her administrative council.

The Department of Biology prepares students for careers, advanced graduate studies or professional training in the biological sciences by promoting a thorough understanding of the processes of life, its evolution and its diversity. Our bachelor's, master's and doctoral programs provide a foundation for success in many professional fields, such as research, education, forensic science, healthcare, biotechnology, zoology or environmental conservation. Currently the department serves more than 500 majors and generates about 20,000 student credit hours per year, including the core and service courses.

Beginning in 2020, the research arm of the Biology department will be housed in a new, technologically advanced, science research building. That structure will have approximately 41,000 square feet of programmable space for research laboratories, lab support spaces, faculty offices, graduate work areas, conference rooms, and a vivarium. The department currently boasts a good array of research equipment. Most notable, there is extensive microscopy capability that includes two confocal microscopes, two SEMs, an electrophysiology rig, and fluorescent microscopes.

### UNIVERSITY INFORMATION

Texas Woman's University occupies a notable position in higher education as the nation's largest university primarily for women. Established in 1901, TWU is a doctoral/research-intensive public university which emphasizes the liberal arts and sciences as well as specialized and professional studies in business, nursing, health sciences, and education. The College of Arts and Sciences, with over thirty-five percent of TWU's graduate and undergraduate population of over 15,000, prepares students for success in a global world. TWU operates three campuses: Houston, Dallas, and the main campus in Denton (population 115,000), located 40 miles north of the Dallas/Fort Worth area. This metroplex, the nation's fourth largest urban center, has world-class museums, orchestras, opera, ballet, theatre companies, as well as an array of professional and collegiate sports venues. Additional information about the University is available at <http://www.twu.edu>.

### THE POSITION

The Department of Biology at Texas Woman's University invites applications and nominations for the position of Department Chair. The position may begin as early as June 2018. Successful applicants must have a Ph.D. in Molecular or Cellular Biology or a closely related discipline, with a teaching, scholarship and service record appropriate for a tenured appointment at the rank of Professor. Successful grant writing, fund raising and experience in a doctorate level program are essential. An academic collaborative leadership style and active memberships in professional associations are highly desirable. The successful candidate will have appreciation for a multidisciplinary environment and a commitment to excellence in undergraduate and graduate education. The Chair will teach in his or her area of specialization and maintain an active research program. The Chair position is a 12-month administrative appointment with responsibilities for overseeing programs leading to the Bachelor of Science in Biology (including a Biology degree with an emphasis in Research), the Bachelor of Science in Medical Technology, the Master of Science in Biology degree, and the Ph.D. in Molecular Biology. The Department of Biology currently has 15 full time faculty, 500 Biology undergraduates, 15 Master's degree and 30 Ph.D. degree seeking students ([www.twu.edu/biology](http://www.twu.edu/biology))

## **PROCEDURE FOR NOMINATIONS AND APPLICATIONS**

Inquiries, nominations, and applications are invited. Applications received by March 22, 2018, will be given full consideration. Send a thoughtful letter of application addressing the qualifications and desired attributes; curriculum vitae; and the names, addresses, phone numbers, and email addresses of five references. Calls to references will occur later in the search process and only with prior notification of candidates. If selected to be a semi-finalist, a transcript (unofficial) will be required prior to the interview. For more information about this opportunity, please visit <http://academic-search.com/sites/default/files/TWUBiologyProfile.pdf>.

All submissions will be treated in confidence and should be sent electronically (MS Word or PDF) to: [TWUBiology@academic-search.com](mailto:TWUBiology@academic-search.com). The committee is assisted by Dr. Wanda Durrett Bigham, Senior Consultant, who can be reached at [wdb@academic-search.com](mailto:wdb@academic-search.com) or by calling 334-425-6865.

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