



WHITWORTH UNIVERSITY

Whitworth University is a place of fearless intellect and unconstrained commitment to Christ. It is a place where rules are few, but personal discipline is great. Where answers aren't given but conviction is found. Where chapel isn't required, but it is often standing-room only. Where students reach for their aspirations and pursue a calling in all parts of the globe. The sense of community runs deep. Faculty, staff, students, alums are dedicated to teaching, learning, questioning, growing, pursuing dreams and deepening their faith.

Whitworth: An Education of Mind and Heart

Whitworth University invites nominations and applications for the position of Dean of the School of Education. The dean provides visionary leadership to both the undergraduate and graduate programs within the School of Education, fostering excellence in existing programs and identifying fruitful avenues for program growth and development.

Nestled among 200 acres of stately pines, Whitworth University offers wide-open green spaces and first-rate educational facilities -- right in the middle of one of the most scenic regions in the United States. Spokane, Washington has a metropolitan population of half a million people, a thriving arts community, and recreational opportunities provided by mountains, lakes, rivers, and miles of hiking and biking trails. The city is large enough to have a thriving downtown area with a riverfront park, yet small enough to avoid the heavy traffic associated with larger cities. The region enjoys four seasons with the associated outdoor activities (mountain biking, climbing, swimming, boating, snowmobiling, skiing, among others). Spokane is within 4-5 hours of three major national parks (Mt Rainier, North Cascades, Glacier) and the Canadian Rockies. Also, Spokane has excellent health care facilities and other top educational institutions close by. The Spokane area has several outstanding school districts including the Mead School District in which Whitworth University is located. Besides the strong public schools, the Spokane area has a number of highly-ranked private schools, faith-based schools, and schools that have developed specialized options such as the Mead Riverpoint Academy with its emphasis on STEM and Entrepreneurial curriculum. Spokane is a community with a growing multicultural population, in which fifty-five different languages are spoken. *(For more information on Spokane, click [here](#).)*

Whitworth University's School of Education

The mission of the School of Education (SOE) is to prepare socially-just and inclusive teachers, counselors, therapists, and administrators to be educators of mind and heart who are scholars, community members, competent practitioners, visionary leaders, and advocates. The School of Education provides opportunities to integrate theory and practice in diverse settings through the study of established and emerging content as well as through pedagogical and professional knowledge. This mission is elaborated through the School of Education's [Conceptual Framework](#).

The School of Education at Whitworth University includes the Department of Teacher Education, the Whitworth Center for Gifted Education, the Department of Graduate Studies in Education, the Master in

Teaching Program, the Whitworth Office of Educational Certification & Career Services, and the Teacher Certification Program within Whitworth's School of Continuing Studies. Together these programs enroll approximately 600 students a year (300 undergraduates and 300 graduate students). The Washington State Professional Educator Standards Board has approved all certification programs in the School of Education.

Application Process:

The search is being assisted by Academic Search, Inc. Confidential discussions or inquiries with consultants Jack Ohle (jro@academic-search.com) or Jean Floten (jean.floten@academic-search.com) are encouraged and may be arranged by contacting their associate, Jeffrey McKinney, at jsm@academic-search.com. The position profile can be found at : <http://academic-search.com/sites/default/files/WhitworthSOE.pdf> You can learn more about Whitworth University at www.whitworth.edu.

The anticipated start date is July 1, 2019. Applications must be sent electronically in Word or PDF format to whitworthdsoe@academic-search.com and should include (1) a cover letter that addresses the qualifications outlined above, (2) a curriculum vitae, (3) a list of at least five professional references with contact information including telephone and email, and (4) a short personal essay describing the applicant's personal Christian faith. This essay is intended to be a statement in the applicant's own words that will help the committee to determine the applicant's interest in joining Whitworth's community of Christian scholars. ([Click here for guidance on writing the faith essay.](#)) References will not be contacted without the explicit permission of the candidate.

Initial screening of applications will begin immediately and continue until an appointment is made. To be given full consideration for this position, applications should be submitted by November 30, 2018. All nominations, applications, and inquiries will be held in complete confidence until finalists are identified for on-campus interviews. Finalist must be willing to undergo a background check.

For additional information about Whitworth University, please [click here](#). To learn more about Whitworth's School of Education, [click here](#).

Whitworth University complies with all federal, state, and local nondiscrimination laws that are applicable to religious nonprofit institutions and does not engage in unlawful discrimination on the basis of race, color, national origin, age, sex, or disability. With our commitment to building a diverse community, the university encourages applications from populations underrepresented at Whitworth including members of racial/ethnic communities, women, and persons with disabilities.