Applications and nominations are invited from all scholarly fields concerned with population issues for the position of Director of the Carolina Population Center (CPC). The director has institutional responsibilities for promoting and overseeing research, educational, and grant-development activities. The CPC is a community of scholars and professionals collaborating on interdisciplinary research and methods that advance understanding of population science at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. Its goals are to create new knowledge about population size, structure, health, and processes of change; develop new sources of data to support population research; promote the development and use of innovative methodologies; build skills and capacity and train the next generation of scholars; and disseminate data and findings to population professionals, policymakers, and the public.

The Carolina Population Center (www.cpc.unc.edu) was established in 1966 to support the population research and training needs of an elected body of Faculty Fellows. The Center’s 60 active faculty fellows come from 16 departments in 5 schools or colleges and work with students, postdocs, and other scholars on path-breaking research to address population issues in 85 countries and across the US, as well as locally, in North Carolina. Fellows are involved in domestic and international studies that focus on eight population themes including, sexual behavior, contraceptive use, and reproductive health; fertility, families, and children; life course perspectives; biological and social interactions; population movement, diversity, and inequality; place, space, and health; population and environment; and population and health policies and programs. In the last decade, CPC Fellows engaged in funded population-related research on more than 100 projects, most supported by federal agencies such as the National Institutes of Health, National Science Foundation, U.S. Public Health Service, National Aeronautics and Space Administration, and U.S. Agency for International Development, and foundations such as the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation and the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation.

The Center’s training program reflects the multi-disciplinary research program of the Center. The 60 postdoctoral and predoctoral trainees come from a diverse set of departments, ranging from sociology to nutrition, geography to epidemiology, anthropology to biostatistics. The Center’s staff provide services in proposal development, grant administration and financial management, computer systems, programming and analysis, library and graphics support, spatial data analysis, and statistical and spatial consultation. These research services are organized into core units to meet the needs of the research and training activities.

Nominees and applicants for Director must have a record of distinguished population-focused scholarship, as well as the administrative, leadership, and grant-development skills required for a major research institution. The applicant should be a senior scholar who appreciates and fosters interdisciplinary research. The Director will have an appointment at the rank of full professor in an appropriate academic department at UNC.

Applicants should submit an online application to http://jobs.unc.edu/2501887 with a letter of application, a current CV, and a list of references. Screening will begin October 31, 2011. The position will become available July 1, 2012. The University is an equal opportunity
Applications from minorities and women are encouraged.

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