Advertisement for Chair, Clerkship (Chair, Clerkship & Electives Committee)

The Associate Dean Undergraduate Medical Education (UME) as chair of the UME Curriculum Committee is seeking applications from a faculty member for the position of Chair of the Clerkship and Electives Committee (CEC) and the UME course Clerkship Meds 5301 effective August 30, 2015.

The Chair CEC and Clerkship will provide leadership in all Clerkship educational programs and processes across our London, Windsor and DEN campuses that relate to the Year 3 and Year 4 of the clinical learning experience for UME students. This incumbent shall report to the AD UME and work collaboratively with UME senior leaders, UME course and committee leaders, UME staff, the Rotation and Academic Directors who have a role in the course, course faculty, Postgraduate Medical Education leaders and faculty as well as national Clerkship leaders.

The incumbent will be responsible for all aspects of the leadership of the course Clerkship including the course governance, objectives, assessment, and ongoing improvement to the model, learning content and pedagogy. The incumbent will work with UME staff to understand and drive ongoing change and student learning improvement through course assessment outcomes and evaluations. The incumbent should have a documented record of scholarly success and demonstrate a willingness to implement research in this course and work with faculty and staff on scholarly work from the course. The successful candidate will have a knowledge of and willingness to work with the Schulich Medicine CPD Office on improving faculty development in the course. Additional skills include working collaboratively with Years 1, 2 and 4 courses to integrate basic and clinical science learning in Clerkship.

This role involves working with students on issues of academic and non-academic concerns arising from the course that impact the successful completion of course objectives and assessments, including: assessing the needs for, devising on, creating and implementing plans of learner remediation. In the event of an adverse student academic outcome, the incumbent will advise the AD UME and lead the process of student progression and appeals according to the terms outlined in the Western University Academic Calendar.

Candidates for Chair CEC are expected to have experience, knowledge and commitment to medical education in clinical learning and preferably the course Clerkship and a knowledge and experience in leading a distributed medical education student learning experience. She/he should have a demonstrated ability to collaborate, communicate, and facilitate in a complex environment. Established leadership and team building capacities and a track record of sustained commitment are expected.

The successful candidate must already hold an academic appointment of Assistant Professor or higher within the Schulich School of Medicine & Dentistry, and will require a time commitment of 0.5 days per week for a five year term, subject to renewal once on recommendation of the AD UME.

The applicant should forward a letter of intent, current Curriculum Vitae and the names of three references to the attention of Dr. Gary Tithecott, Associate Dean Undergraduate Medical Education via e-mail attachment to medical.education@schulich.uwo.ca no later than January 30, 2015 by 5:00 p.m. Applicants will be vetted by an Advisory Committee, who will carry out interviews of selected applications in February 2015.

Positions are subject to budget approval. Applicants should have fluent written and oral communication skills in English. All qualified candidates are encouraged to apply; however Canadians and permanent residents will be given priority. Western University is committed to employment equity and welcomes applications from all qualified women and men, including...