



Department Chair – Periodontics and Oral Medicine

The University of Michigan School of Dentistry invites qualified applications and nominations for the chair position in the Department of Periodontics and Oral Medicine

This is an outstanding opportunity for an associate professor or professor on the tenure track to lead a vibrant, growing and well-established department with brand new clinical facilities. The department incorporates faculty members in the fields of periodontology, dental hygiene, prevention, and oral pathology/medicine/radiology. The department chair is responsible for leading the department faculty members in support of the DDS and Dental Hygiene Programs (didactic, pre-clinical and clinical); enhancing two outstanding graduate programs in Periodontics and Dental Hygiene; continued development of cutting edge resources to enable high quality, rigorous scholarship of faculty, staff and trainees; and implementation of strategic plans to strengthen the academic and clinical missions through hiring and community building.

This large department is inclusive, diverse, creative, and dynamic with strong research and clinical faculty. Current research foci include programs in strategies for predictable bone regeneration, diagnostic indicators of periodontal disease and its relation to systemic health, molecular mechanisms of cell proliferation, differentiation, survival as it relates to normal and aberrant tissue growth, clinical research and behavioral/educational research. There is a long history of collaborative multidisciplinary research and many faculty hold joint appointments within the university; i.e., Medical School and College of Engineering.

The responsibilities of the chair include accomplishing the priorities set by the school on the basis of our strategic plan. The department chair has responsibility for the overall administration and leadership of the academic department including planning and goal setting, financial stewardship, faculty development, oversight of graduate, DDS, and Dental Hygiene educational programs, and support of school and university service missions.

The successful candidate will hold a DDS/DMD and/or a PhD, or equivalent doctoral degrees. Top candidates will have an international reputation as a scholar with outstanding and innovative research accomplishments, leadership experience, knowledge of key aspects of education in modern academic dentistry, and strong contributions in fostering inclusion, diversity and equity to enhance excellence in academic endeavors.

Applicants should submit curriculum vitae, statement of interests and goals, and names of three references via the secure website: <https://www.dent.umich.edu/about/faculty-recruiting>. Applications will be accepted and evaluated on an on-going basis until the position is filled. Evaluation of applications will begin May 15, 2021. The University of Michigan School of Dentistry recognizes and values contributions to diversity, equity, and inclusion (<https://diversity.umich.edu>). We encourage applicants to comment in their cover letter and/or statement of interest how their experience and leadership have contributed to enhancing diversity, equity, and inclusiveness or their potential to make contributions in this area.

Questions should be directed to Dr. Jan Hu, Chair of the Search Committee, at janhu@umich.edu or Kim Huner, at kimhuner@umich.edu.

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