Chair/Chief, Department of Anesthesia & Perioperative Medicine

The Schulich School of Medicine & Dentistry at Western University, London Health Sciences Centre, and St. Joseph’s Health Care invite applications/nominations for the position of Chair/Chief for the Department of Anesthesia & Perioperative Medicine.

The city-wide Department of Anesthesia & Perioperative Medicine provides integral support to the clinical campuses of London Health Sciences Center (University Hospital, Victoria Hospital, Children’s Hospital) and St. Joseph’s Health Care. The department provides the spectrum of medical care from conducting preoperative assessment to performing the most advanced life-supporting techniques in all perioperative settings such as ambulatory surgery, subspecialty surgery, obstetric, pediatric care, out-of-OR interventional procedures, acute and chronic pain management, palliative care, blood conservation management, post-anesthetic care unit, cardiac surgery recovery unit and intensive care units. The faculty are international leaders in their fields of cardiac anesthesia, neuroanesthesia, obstetric care and perioperative care. The Woman’s care program at Victoria hospital was the first in Canada to be designated as a Center of Excellence by the Society for Obstetric Anesthesia and Perinatology for providing effective and evidence-based obstetric anesthesia care. The department is also responsible for undergraduate, post-graduate: anesthesia and pain medicine residency programs, and subspecialty anesthesia fellowship programs in the Schulich School of Medicine & Dentistry. The department currently has 97 faculty, 45 residents and 24 clinical fellows to provide patient-centered quality care. London Health Sciences Centre performed 25,810 surgeries this year. St. Joseph’s Health Care London performed 11,184 surgeries. There was a total of 8,117 visits to the pain management clinic this past year.

The new Chair/Chief will have the vision to expand on the department’s strengths to integrate teaching, research, and current evidence in clinical practice in partnership with the University, the affiliated research institutes, and the academic hospital organizations. The new Chair/Chief will be a strong leader, administrator, and communicator, with the ability to advocate for the department’s mission and goals with its partners and the community. As a strong leader the candidate is expected to provide responsible and accountable clinical academic leadership in the Hospitals and the University. The candidate should be prepared to work collaboratively with basic and clinical scientists to build innovative, integrated, and translational research, which are identified signature areas in the strategic plans of the University and Schulich School of Medicine and Dentistry as well as the Hospitals.

Western University delivers an academic experience second to none. Western challenges the best and brightest faculty, staff, and students to commit to the highest global standards. Our research excellence expands knowledge and drives discovery with real-world application. Western attracts individuals with a broad worldview, seeking to study, influence, and lead in the international community. Since 1878, the Western Experience has combined academic excellence with life-long opportunities for intellectual, social, and cultural growth in order to better serve our communities.

Renowned for compassionate care, St. Joseph’s Health Care London (St. Joseph’s) is dedicated to helping people live to their fullest by minimizing the effects of injury, disease, and disability through excellence in care, teaching, and research. In partnership with Lawson Health Research Institute St. Joseph’s has become an international leader in chronic disease management, specialized mental health care, rehabilitation, specialized geriatrics, and surgery. Serving local, regional, and provincial populations in an evolving and challenging clinical academic environment, St. Joseph’s cares for its communities, reflecting its faith-based traditions and values.

London Health Sciences Centre (LHSC) is is a tertiary care health complex, providing comprehensive care to a large and geographically extended population of approximately 1.2 million people. One of Canada’s largest acute-care, research-intensive academic hospitals, with nearly 15,000 physicians, staff, students, scientists, and volunteers, LHSC is regarded for its exceptional patient care and health-care advancement through innovative partnerships, teaching excellence, breakthrough research and a rich history of national and international medical firsts.

Fully affiliated with Western University and the Schulich School of Medicine and Dentistry, LHSC and St. Joseph’s collectively support the training of more than 1,800 health-care professionals per year. Both St.
Joseph’s and LHSC are known as integral parts of the London community, offering compassion and state-of-the-art care for the patients they serve.

The successful candidate must be an accomplished clinician with an MD or equivalent, be eligible to be certified as a member of the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Canada and eligible for licensure in the Province of Ontario. Compensation will be based on qualifications and experience and will be composed primarily of the following sources: fee for service, alternate funding plan and academic support. The successful candidate will hold a full-time continuing Clinical Academic appointment at the rank of Associate or Full Professor. The position will have an initial 5-year term, normally renewable once and is subject to a mid-term review. Academic rank will be based on qualifications and experience.

Interested candidates should submit an application including a letter of interest, curriculum vitae, names and addresses of three referees, and please ensure that the form available at: http://uwo.ca/facultyrelations/physicians/Application_FullTime_Clinical.pdf is included with your application to:

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Applications will be accepted until the position is filled. Review of applicants will begin August 22, 2022. The anticipated start date is to be negotiated.

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Effective September 7, 2021, all employees and visitors to campus are required to comply with Western’s COVID-19 Vaccination Policy. Successful candidates will be also required to comply with the policies and protocols of the applicable affiliated institutions.

Positions are subject to budget approval. Applicants should have fluent written and oral communication skills in English. The University invites applications from all qualified individuals. Western is committed to employment equity and diversity in the workplace and welcomes applications from women, members of racialized groups, Indigenous peoples, persons with disabilities, persons of any sexual orientation, and persons of any gender identity or gender expression.

In accordance with Canadian immigration requirements, priority will be given to Canadian citizens and permanent residents.

Accommodations are available for applicants with disabilities throughout the recruitment process. If you require accommodations for interviews or other meetings, please contact Selection Committee Coordinators at selection.committee@schulich.uwo.ca phone 519-661-2111 ext. 88141.

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