

Director, School of Computing

The University of Georgia (UGA) invites applications and nominations for the position of **Director of the School of Computing (SoC)**. This is an exceptional opportunity to serve as the first permanent Director of UGA's newest School. Approved by President Jere W. Morehead in July 2022, the School is a joint venture between UGA's Franklin College of Arts and Sciences and the College of Engineering. The SoC enrolls almost 1500 undergraduate majors and another 235 graduate students and is home to 35 full-time faculty who carry out research in computer science, cybersecurity, machine learning, computer vision, and a host of related areas. There are plans to further grow the School with joint investments by both the Franklin College and the College of Engineering. For further information about the SoC, consult https://computing.uga.edu.

The University seeks candidates who are innovative and accomplished leaders in computer science and related areas, who can articulate a compelling vision for the future of computing at a major public research university, and who have a demonstrated commitment to enhancing diversity and is dedicated to furthering an accessible and inclusive campus environment.

Required Qualifications:

- An earned doctorate in computer science, or a related field;
- An excellent and sustained record of scholarly accomplishment, as evidenced through peerreviewed publications and related contributions, that would merit appointment as a tenured Professor at the University of Georgia;
- To be eligible for tenure upon appointment, candidates must have been tenured at a prior institution and bring a demonstrably national reputation to UGA. Candidates must be approved for tenure upon appointment before hire. For more information regarding the rank and tenure on appointment, please see the <u>UGA Guidelines for Appointment, Promotion and Tenure</u>.

Relevant Experience:

- A demonstrated track record of significant extramural research support, through federal funding agencies, corporate support, or philanthropic foundations;
- A demonstrated track record of supporting student success for undergraduate and graduate students;
- A demonstrated track record of professional recognition and distinguished professional service;
- A demonstrated track record of promoting diversity and creating environments that are inclusive and equitable.

Preferred Knowledge, Skills, Abilities, and/or Competencies:

- Ability to support and mentor an increasingly distinguished faculty;
- Excellent communication skills and the ability to collaborate collegially with a wide range of internal and external constituencies.

The Director of the SoC will work collaboratively with the Dean of Arts and Sciences and the Dean of Engineering to support the School and will report to the Deans. The Director will have the following responsibilities:

- Work collaboratively with the faculty and University administration to develop a plan to grow and advance computing at UGA;
- Recruit, mentor, retain, and evaluate the faculty of the School;



- Oversee the budget and human resources of the School;
- Work with the faculty, Deans, the Vice President for Research, and other stakeholders to increase research funding in the School, to support faculty research projects and to support a growing graduate program;
- Work with development staff across the University to seek philanthropic support for the School, in the form of student support and endowed professorships.

Since our founding in 1785, the University of Georgia has operated as Georgia's oldest, most comprehensive, and most diversified institution of higher education (<u>https://www.uga.edu/</u>). The proof is in our more than 235 years of academic and professional achievements and our continual commitment to higher education. UGA is currently ranked among the top 20 public universities in U.S. News & World Report. The University's main campus is in Athens, GA, approximately 65 miles northeast of Atlanta, with extended campuses in Atlanta, Griffin, Gwinnett, and Tifton.

UGA employs approximately 1,800 full-time instructional faculty and more than 7,700 full-time staff. The University's enrollment exceeds 40,000 students including over 30,000 undergraduates and over 10,000 graduate and professional students. Academic programs reside in 18 schools and colleges, as well as a medical partnership with Augusta University housed on the UGA Health Sciences Campus in Athens.

As one of the top public universities in the nation, UGA offers a culture of academic excellence and opportunity made all the richer by our renowned faculty, diverse community of scholar-citizens, and vibrant student life program.

Applications: Applicant screening will begin immediately. Candidates are encouraged to submit their materials by Friday, January 27, 2023; however, screening will continue until the position is filled. The application packet should include a cover letter detailing how the applicant's credentials and experience meet the needs, responsibilities, and qualifications stated above; a current resume; and contact information for three references (who will not be contacted without further correspondence with the applicant).

All applicants must apply online at <u>https://www.ugajobsearch.com</u>. Please see the job posting at: <u>https://www.ugajobsearch.com/postings/291262</u>

To request a descriptive *Opportunity Profile* for this position, provide a nomination, or seek additional information, please contact Christopher Steele, Primary Consultant with the UGA Search Group, 706-977-9214 or <u>Christopher.Steele@uga.edu</u>. Letters of recommendation or a simple nomination should include the name and contact information for the nominee.

The University of Georgia is an Equal Opportunity/Affirmative Action employer. All qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to race, color, religion, sex, national origin, ethnicity, age, genetic information, disability, gender identity, sexual orientation or protected veteran status. Persons needing accommodations or assistance with the accessibility of materials related to this search are encouraged to contact Central HR (hrweb@uga.edu).