Faculty Search Plans

The following is a compilation of evidence-based practices for improving consistency and objectivity in the faculty search process. Please see the relevant <u>University policy</u> for additional information.

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Search Foundations	Recruitment	Evaluation	Interviews/Visits	Finalist Selection(s)
□ Establish how inclusive excellence is important and will be considered in individual searches. □ Select search chairs with a demonstrated record of inclusive excellence in search practices. □ Select a search committee purposefully and issue a formal charge. □ Commit to having 80% of all committee members attend an in-person faculty search training, provided at the schools or units by the provost's office. □ Conduct proactive pay analysis considering the discipline, market data, internal equity, and past offers (i.e. research support, startup, course load/release, etc.). □ Engage Department Chairs as officials accountable for search excellence.	□ Review and share the labor market availability and faculty data sheets for the specific role. □ Build a recruitment plan that engages faculty, staff, students, professional networks, and departmental sites. □ Develop posting language that will attract applicants from a broad range of backgrounds for the role. □ Request for candidates to submit a statement of their contributions to inclusive excellence. □ Ensure materials requested of applicants address the specific criteria set for the role. □ Invite diverse candidates to apply for the position. □ Ask the HR representative to evaluate the effectiveness of the recruitment against the estimated labor market availability prior to evaluation.	□ Review Contributions to Inclusive Excellence and/or Research/Teaching statements as a first pass for screening individuals into the pool, before CVs. □ Develop detailed, and priority ranked, evaluation rubrics. Ensure standards are understood by all reviewers and consistently applied. Strive for measurable/demonstrable criteria. □ Allow each committee member to provide a rating and explanatory comments on every candidate before seeing the evaluations of others on the committee. □ Generate a longlist and shortlist report after spending equal quality time on all candidates that details the rationale for moving forward on who will be finalists and who will no longer be considered.	□ Develop consistent jobrelated interview questions. □ Ask the HR representative to evaluate the shortlist for visits in comparison to the labor market availability. □ Inform stakeholders about the permissible lines of inquiry. □ Work with candidates on a collaborative plan for their visit that balances organizational needs and gives agency to candidates, utilizing standardized pre-visit emails and planning questionnaires. □ Provide structured questions for feedback that reflect the criteria in the rubric to all who will meet with candidates. □ Ensure students and support staff are engaged in the process, where applicable. □ Provide all candidates with information on our Dual Career Program.	□ Establish ground rules for effective deliberation and evaluation around objective and articulated job criteria. □ Embrace differences of opinion as a benefit to a rigorous and respectful decision-making process. □ Assign each finalist a champion to get more opinions and perspectives and to ensure no finalist falls through the cracks by lacking a champion. □ Record the rationale for each finalist's level of support for selection. □ Update all candidate dispositions in a timely manner to ensure individuals are aware of their status. □ Assign a peer or mentor for the role to serve as an initial welcoming contact for the new hire and plan welcoming meetings and a departmental orientation session.