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Applications and nominations are invited for the position of Dean of the College of Human Ecology at The University of Tennessee - Knoxville.

THE UNIVERSITY: Founded in 1794, The University of Tennessee - Knoxville is a Research I University with 25,000 students as well as 1,300 faculty and instructional staff. UTK’s 532 acre campus is located close to downtown Knoxville along the Tennessee River. Adjacent to the Smoky Mountains, the metropolitan Knoxville area, with a population of 631,000 is consistently ranked as one of the most livable cities in the United States, with a variety of recreational, educational, and cultural opportunities.

THE COLLEGE: Having just celebrated its Centennial year, the College of Human Ecology has five departments, approximately 1,200 students, and over 70 faculty. The College has distinguished itself with a commendable record of research, with a tradition of strong leadership, with clear commitment to teaching, and with loyal alumni support. The five departments in the College are: Child and Family Studies; Health and Safety Sciences; Human Resource Development; Nutrition; and Consumer and Industry Services Management. The College offers undergraduate and graduate programs in Child and Family Studies, Health/Public Health, Hotel and Restaurant Management, Human Resource Development, Nutrition, Recreation and Tourism Management, Retail and Consumer Science, Safety Education and Service and Textile Science.

THE POSITION: The Dean, chief academic and administrative officer for the College, reports directly to the Vice Chancellor of Academic Affairs, and is responsible for development and implementation of the educational, research, and service programs of the College. The Dean represents the College in its relations with the University, its alumni, and other constituencies, which include a variety of corporate and community partnerships. Development and fund raising are important priorities. The Dean plans, directs, and coordinates the operational, personnel, budgetary, research, academic, and student activities of the College. It is expected that the Dean of the College of Human Ecology be a strong advocate for human ecology and its component disciplines.

DESIRED QUALIFICATIONS:
• An earned doctorate and scholarly record to permit appointment as professor with tenure within the college.
• Demonstrated commitment to excellence in teaching, research, and service.
• Evidence of outstanding interpersonal and communication skills.
• Proven ability to lead through a collaborative, inclusive, and consensus-building approach.
• Demonstrated commitment to diversity, affirmative action, and equal opportunity.
• Demonstrated ability for strategic planning and responsible budget management.
• Willingness to be actively engaged in development and fund raising.
• Proven ability to work with external constituencies.
• Commitment to serve as a strong advocate for human ecology.

APPLICATION PROCEDURE: Candidates should submit two copies of a letter of interest, curriculum vitae, as well as the names, title/positions, addresses, and telephone numbers of at least five professional references. Nominations are welcome. The review process will begin immediately, and the process will continue until the position is filled. Send application package to:

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Chair, Human Ecology Dean Search Committee  
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