



**Search for the Chair, Department of Global and Environmental Health  
New York University, School of Global Public Health  
New York, NY**

**THE SEARCH**

The School of Global Public Health (GPH) is seeking an experienced and visionary leader to serve as the inaugural Chair for the newly established Department of Global and Environmental Health (GEH). Dynamic and exciting growth is anticipated for GEH, which has recently transitioned from Program to Department status and has the unique opportunity to benefit from NYU's global campuses in Abu Dhabi and Shanghai as well as 12 global academic centers on six continents. The Department emphasizes research and teaching of transnational health issues, determinants, and solutions, involving interdisciplinary collaboration and the delivery of population-based care. The Department has over 200 MPH students, the highest enrollment in the School, and is dedicated to equipping students with the knowledge, skills, and experiences necessary to become the next generation of global health leaders. Programs include integrated practice experiences in a range of countries. The Department has three Master of Public Health tracks: Global Health MPH, online Global Health MPH, and Environmental Public Health Sciences MPH. The Department also offers five dual-degree programs: MPH/MSW, MPH/MPA, MPH/MSN, MPH/MD, and MPH/DDS.

The Department is also home to a diverse set of dynamic centers, labs, and initiatives that give students access to action-oriented learning settings and invaluable mentorship with esteemed faculty members and peers. The Department's core faculty currently consists of seven primary faculty, seven secondary and visiting faculty, and eight affiliate and adjunct faculty, who are actively engaged in research, policy, and practice to advance the understanding of areas such as infectious disease transmission, pandemic preparedness and response, environmental hazards, climate change, HIV/AIDS, smoking cessation, sickle cell disease, mental and behavioral health, and strengthening of health systems in many areas of the world. The faculty is expected to grow in the years ahead.

The inaugural Chair will have the exciting opportunity to shape the new Department's strategic vision and future growth, enhance its visibility, strengthen its international reputation, and extend its influence and effectiveness in advancing health and health equity. As the Department leader, the Chair will oversee the curriculum in all the degree tracks to ensure that the pedagogy, course offerings, and practice experience

align with current global and environmental health priorities and prepare students for successful careers in global and environmental health. The Chair will be responsible for recruiting and fostering a diverse faculty of internationally recognized experts, each bringing unique contributions to global and environmental health research and practice. The Chair will uphold principles of equity, diversity, and inclusion, and will actively promote anti-racism and the decolonization of global health. The Chair will be expected to manage the departmental budget effectively and to seek external funding opportunities to achieve its goals and maintain a positive fiscal condition. Finally, as a senior leadership team member in the School of Global Public Health, the Chair will work closely with the Dean, faculty, and administrative leadership to advance the School's shared vision.

### **KEY RESPONSIBILITIES FOR THE INCOMING CHAIR**

The Chair of the Department of Global and Environmental Health will:

#### **Develop and implement a strategic vision for the Department of Global and Environmental Health**

The Chair will collaborate closely with dedicated faculty to gauge the Department's progress and explore exciting prospects for its future. The Chair will forge a path to excellence that engages learners at all levels within GEH and the broader GPH community.

#### **Strengthen the visibility and reputation of the Department**

The incoming Chair will shoulder the crucial responsibility of elevating the Department's influence and reputation. This will entail a dedicated focus on nurturing research endeavors that bring attention to the Department, maximizing and growing the already outstanding existing research programs. By promoting scholarly and professional achievements, the next Chair will raise the Department's profile and solidify its position as a site of academic distinction.

#### **Broaden the Department's impact in furthering health and health equity**

In alignment with GEH's focus on international health issues and population-based prevention, the Chair will amplify the Department's influence in pioneering groundbreaking approaches to advance health and health equity. The Chair will support initiatives and programs focused on universal access to health solutions and improved well-being for all.

#### **Enhance the educational mission of the Department**

The Chair will manage the curriculum with a keen focus on aligning course options and practical exposure with current issues in global and environmental health. The Chair will help design a curriculum that attracts students and empowers them with the expertise and abilities required for successful careers and meaningful contributions in global and environmental health. With successful graduates making major contributions in the field, the Chair will grow GEH's reputation further.

### **Recruit, develop, and retain a diverse faculty population**

The Chair will lead initiatives that embody the mission of GPH and attract and support faculty across their career. The Chair will craft strategic priority areas for hiring that inform recruitment efforts. The Chair will bring in individuals who will bolster the Department's prominence, expand its areas of expertise in global and environmental health, and foster a climate that emphasizes career development and retention of faculty.

### **Promote a collegial and inclusive academic environment that aligns with the mission of GPH**

In line with the values upheld by NYU GPH, the Department of Global and Environmental Health is deeply committed to nurturing and celebrating a diverse, just, and inclusive environment for its students, faculty, staff, and global collaborators. The incoming Chair must be an advocate of this mission, actively embracing diversity in perspectives and experiences and promoting unity and belonging within the Department.

### **Collaborate with key stakeholders in the department, GPH, and NYU**

As the Department continues to grow, the Chair will partner with all the Department's key constituent groups, the Dean, and renowned leaders throughout GPH. Together, they will identify innovative avenues that harness the Department's distinct strengths and tap into opportunities within the vibrant background of New York City and NYU's global academic centers.

## **QUALIFICATIONS**

Successful candidates should possess the following qualifications and experience:

- An advanced professional or doctoral degree with knowledge and academic experience in an area related to global health. Working knowledge of environmental health, including climate change, is desired;
- Scholarly achievements aligned with the standards for appointment as a full professor with tenure in GPH;
- An established research portfolio with external funding in global health;
- Direct global health field, research policy, or managerial experience, preferably related to low- and middle-income countries;
- Experience teaching at the graduate or undergraduate levels;

- A proven track record of securing external funding for global health-related research or programs;
- A demonstrated commitment to fostering diversity, equity, inclusion, and belonging through tangible actions that create a welcoming and inclusive environment for all faculty, staff, and students;
- A strong transformational leadership approach, complemented by expertise in managerial operations that includes budgetary oversight, staff leadership, mentorship, and career development.

For additional information on New York University and the School of Global Public Health, please see the [appendix](#) at the end of this document. More about the Department of Global and Environmental Health's excellent faculty, research, and programs can be found at <https://publichealth.nyu.edu/departments/global-environmental-health>.

## TO APPLY

New York University School of Global Public Health has retained Isaacson, Miller to assist in this search. Please direct all inquiries, nominations, and applications electronically and in confidence to:

[Natalie Leonhard](#), Partner

<https://www.imsearch.com/open-searches/new-york-university-school-global-public-health/chair-department-global-and>

In compliance with NYC's Pay Transparency Act, the annual base salary range for this position is \$330,000-430,000. New York University considers factors such as (but not limited to) scope and responsibilities of the position, candidate's work experience, education/training, key skills, internal peer equity, as well as market and organizational considerations when extending an offer.

*NYU is an Equal Opportunity Employer and is committed to a policy of equal treatment and opportunity in every aspect of its recruitment and hiring process without regard to age, alienage, caregiver status, childbirth, citizenship status, color, creed, disability, domestic violence victim status, ethnicity, familial status, gender and/or gender identity or expression, marital status, military status, national origin, parental status, partnership status, predisposing genetic characteristics, pregnancy, race, religion, reproductive health decision making, sex, sexual orientation, unemployment status, veteran status, or any other legally protected basis. Women, racial and ethnic minorities, persons of minority sexual orientation or gender identity, individuals with disabilities, and veterans are encouraged to apply for vacant positions at all levels.*

## **APPENDIX**

### **NEW YORK UNIVERSITY**

Since its founding in 1831, NYU has been an innovator in higher education. Today, it is one of the world's largest, most prominent, and highly respected research universities. NYU provides an enriching and comprehensive education to more than 65,000 students and annually undertakes \$1 billion in research. NYU's faculty are at the forefront of their scholarly disciplines, and their research helps shape the understanding of an enormous range of academic fields. The 5,000 faculty members include recipients of the highest scholarly honors and create a vast network of talented scholars, artists, scientists, and writers with endless opportunities for collaboration. NYU has a highly collaborative network of 19 schools and colleges, degree-granting programs in Abu Dhabi and Shanghai, and an additional 12 global academic centers in Africa, Asia, Australia, Europe, North America, and South America.

### **THE SCHOOL OF GLOBAL PUBLIC HEALTH**

Created in 2015, the School of Global Public Health has experienced a period of rapid growth – expanding programs, earning its accreditation by the Council on Education for Public Health, and graduating its first classes of students. In April 2022, the School unveiled its new building a few blocks from Washington Square in Manhattan. The ten-story building boasts approximately 100,000 square feet of renovated space and includes key design elements (i.e., clinical research space, meeting space, secured data space, and a recording studio) to facilitate public health research, education, and practice. In the 2022 rankings from U.S. News and World Report, the School rose 12 places to rank nineteenth among the 195 public health schools and programs in the country. Today, GPH conducts research broadly across all areas of public health and will continue to develop and define its portfolio. GPH faculty are deeply engaged across the University and include practitioners from New York's leading public health organizations.

In July 2022, NYU welcomed epidemiologist Debra Furr-Holden as Dean of the School of Global Public Health. Dean Furr-Holden joined GPH from Michigan State University, where she held the C.S. Mott Endowed Professorship and served as Associate Dean for public health integration. Under Dean Furr-Holden's leadership, the School is focused on shaping its scholarly and programmatic identity within the field of global public health.