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Director, Southeast Environmental Research Center

Florida International University (FIU) invites applications for a dynamic leader with established excellence in environmental research to serve as Director of the Southeast Environmental Research Center (SERC). The appointment will be made at the Associate or Full Professor level with tenure in one of the departments served by the center in the College of Arts and Sciences (CAS). The Director is expected to: provide leadership for the center's research and academic activities; lead the center in the pursuit of new research opportunities, programmatic innovation and seeking financial support for advancement of the Center's mission; effectively execute administrative responsibilities, including oversight of personnel, physical and fiscal resources; and maintain a vigorous, extramurally funded research program. Applicants should have an earned doctorate in an ecological, earth, or environmental social science area or in a natural resource management discipline; demonstrated academic leadership abilities and administrative skills; strong research and teaching background; proven communication skills and the ability to interact effectively with faculty, staff, administrators, and external stakeholders. The candidate must have an interest and experience in fostering cooperative relations within the university and at state, federal and international levels.

SERC is an integral part of the School of Environment, Arts, and Society of CAS and is a landmark environmental research center in South Florida. It is composed of 23 faculty, research associates, students and technicians from a variety of natural and social science disciplines who conduct environmental research currently (but not exclusively) focused on the Southeastern United States and the Neotropics. Annual extramural research funding for the center is about \$9 million. The center is dedicated to advancing environmental research in terrestrial, freshwater and coastal/marine ecosystems, with a focus on interdisciplinary research ranging from wetlands and estuarine ecology, to ecotoxicology, biogeochemistry, hydrology, environmental restoration, environmental social sciences and sustainability science, among others. SERC is a local leader in the application of science to inform decision-makers for better understanding and management of South Florida's environment, including the sustainability of, and the ecosystem services provided by, the greater Everglades ecosystem.

Excellent support for research is available at SERC and FIU, and includes professional administrative staff, a field operations center that manages a fleet of research vehicles, boats and field equipment, state-of-the-art analytical instrumentation for water quality, trace metal and trace organic determinations, a stable isotope facility, and an ecotoxicology facility, among others. It is also home of the NSF-supported Florida Coastal Everglades Long Term Ecological Research program and the NASA-supported WaterSCAPES University Research Center.

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Qualified candidates are encouraged to apply to Job Opening ID **505312** at careers.fiu.edu and attach a copy of their curriculum vita, statement of research and leadership interests, and names and contact information of three references in a single pdf file. To receive full consideration, applications and required materials should be received by March 15th, 2013. Review will continue until position is filled.

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