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**Drexel University
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Department Head and Professor, Information Science**

The Department of Information Science invites applications for the Information Science Department Head. This is an academic year tenured faculty appointment at the full Professor level, with a concurrent Department Head role. We encourage applications from candidates with significant experience in any of the broad range of information systems topics covered by the department.

Job Expectations

The Information Science Department Head is the academic and administrative leader of the department. The expectation is that this individual will serve as Department Head for a minimum of 5 years. The department head is part of the College of Computing & Informatics (CCI) senior leadership team and is supported by associate department heads for graduate and undergraduate education and a staff person who serves as assistant to the department head. The Department Head we seek will have an exciting opportunity to play a central role in a dynamic and growing education and research enterprise.

A successful candidate will have expertise appropriate for their areas of research and will be committed to working in a collaborative and multidisciplinary environment. The applicant will be expected to contribute to the life of the department, college, and university by research, teaching, and service contributions consistent with the department head's responsibilities.

Minimum Qualifications

We seek a leader with intellectual curiosity as well as domain knowledge that can be translated into innovative scholarship, curriculum evolution, and program vision. Candidates must be able to work with individuals across disciplines both internal and external to the College. Candidates should also have experience with the development and operation of undergraduate and graduate degree programs in long-standing and emerging areas of information science.

The Department is particularly interested in individuals with a history of promoting diversity through their teaching, research, and service. Applicants are expected to have demonstrated leadership ability in research and/or education programs. Candidates should have a Ph.D. in Information Science, Computer Science, or a related field, as well as a record of high-quality scholarly activities. Professional or industry experience is valued.

About the Information Science Department, CCI, and Drexel University

The Information Science Department encompasses research and education across a broad sweep of information science areas. The department has 39 full-time faculty. The department offers bachelor's and master's degrees including data science, human-computer interaction, library science, cybersecurity, and information systems. Programs in AI and machine learning, data science, and software engineering build on combined strengths of the Information Science and Computer Science Departments. Several other degrees are joint offerings with the College of Business. The department also offers a Ph.D. in Information Science that has produced alumni who hold prestigious positions in academia and industry. The department has an expanding, externally funded research program including significant collaboration with researchers in a range of disciplines across and outside of the University.



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The Information Science Department along with the Computer Science Department form the College of Computing and Informatics (CCI), which provides a hub for computing and information science research and education at Drexel. With 76 full-time faculty, CCI provides a rare opportunity for collaboration across computing and informatics specialties and a focal point for research and education related to computing and informatics. CCI has been growing steadily and has a prominent role in fulfilling strategic goals of the University.

Drexel University is a private, research-intensive (R1) university committed to research with real-world applications. The university has over 24,000 students in 15 colleges and schools and offers one of the largest and best-known cooperative education programs in the country, with over 1,600 co-op employers. Drexel is located in Philadelphia's University City district, an academic hub with easy access to cultural, historical and entertainment resources of the nation's sixth-largest city.

Drexel seeks to recruit and retain a diverse workforce to enhance our global presence, broaden our research, and offer our students richly varied disciplines, perspectives, and ways of learning. To further emphasize this commitment, CCI launched its inaugural Diversity, Equity & Inclusion (DEI) Council in November 2020, ensuring a welcoming, supportive, respectful, and inclusive environment for all.

Drexel University is an Equal Opportunity/Affirmative Action employer, welcomes individuals from diverse backgrounds and perspectives, and believes that an inclusive and respectful environment enriches the University community and the educational and employment experience of its members. The University prohibits discrimination against individuals on the basis of race, color, national origin, religion, sex, sexual orientation, disability, age, status as a veteran or special disabled veteran, gender identity or expression, genetic information, pregnancy, childbirth or related medical conditions and any other prohibited characteristic.

How to Apply

Applicants should submit a cover letter, CV, list of at least three references, and a statement describing the applicant's research, teaching, and leadership experience. To be considered, applications must be submitted online through Drexel Careers.

Evaluation of applications will be conducted on a rolling basis; however, applicants should apply by January 15, 2024 for full consideration. To be considered, apply at <https://careers.drexel.edu/en-us/job/502236/professor-department-head-information-science>

Background investigations are required for all new hires as a condition of employment, after the job offer is made. Employment may not begin until the University accepts the results of the background investigation.

For more information about Drexel University, please visit <https://drexel.edu>. For information about CCI, visit <https://drexel.edu/cci/>