The Midwifery Program in the Department of Family Practice at the University of British Columbia invites applications and nominations for the position of Director, Midwifery Program, Department of Family Practice, Faculty of Medicine.

UBC's Midwifery Program was established in 2002 and is the sole educational program for midwifery in British Columbia. The program resides within the Department of Family Practice in the Faculty of Medicine. It offers a four-year entry to practice baccalaureate program, as well as a bridging program for Internationally Educated Midwives (IEMs). The faculty are well known for their outstanding accomplishments in knowledge generation and translation related to: educational technologies, home birth, international engagement, service to vulnerable populations, and humanities in the health sciences. The student population consists primarily of mature students with previous degrees in a wide range of fields. Graduates are well-respected and currently practice in both rural and urban areas of British Columbia and throughout Canada.

Using superlative leadership skills and vision, the Director will lead the Program’s strategic development and will act as a champion for its continued evolution within the University and the Province of British Columbia. They will engage with a range of stakeholders to increase the Program’s resources, external profile and recognition. They will be accountable to the Department of Family Practice and the Faculty of Medicine for budgeting, resource allocation, faculty mentorship, performance management, and fundraising. The successful candidate will also maintain an active research profile, participate and contribute to the UBC undergraduate, graduate and postgraduate health education programs, and serve on divisional, departmental, and other university and external committees as required.

The successful candidate will be a dedicated and visionary academic leader, with a distinguished record in higher education, scholarship and clinical practice, and a commitment to midwifery education and research. The candidate must have evidence to demonstrate high quality in teaching. The Director will have proven skills in leadership, administration, communication, consensus-building, and advocacy. The successful candidate will be a midwife who holds a PhD (preferred) and is eligible for registration as a midwife in British Columbia. It is anticipated that the successful candidate will qualify for and be eligible for an appointment at the rank of Associate Professor or Professor with tenure.

Written nominations, and/or expressions of interest should be submitted, in confidence, to the address below.

Department of Family Practice

A letter of application, accompanied by a detailed curriculum vitae and names of three references should be directed to:

Dr. Martin Dawes, Professor and Head
Department of Family Practice
320 – 5950 University Boulevard
Vancouver, BC V6T 1Z3

Email: Claire.Bane@ubc.ca with subject line: Midwifery Director position.

Review of the applications will begin on March 1, 2017 and will continue until the position is filled. Anticipated starting date of this position: September 1, 2017 or upon a date to be mutually agreed.

The University of British Columbia (UBC) is a global centre for research and teaching. Surrounded by the beauty of the Canadian West, UBC embraces bold new ways of thinking that attract exceptional students and faculty. It is a place where innovative ideas are nurtured in a globally connected research community, providing unparalleled opportunities to learn, discover and contribute.

Faculty members, students, staff and alumni in the UBC Faculty of Medicine are actively engaged in innovative, leading edge research, education and community service on university and hospital campuses across the Province. Together we aim to create knowledge and advance learning that will make a vital contribution to the health of individuals and communities, locally, nationally, and internationally.

UBC hires on the basis of merit and is committed to employment equity. All qualified persons are encouraged to apply. UBC is strongly committed to diversity within its community and especially welcomes applications from visible minority group members, women, Aboriginal persons, persons with disabilities, persons of any sexual orientation or gender identity, and others who may contribute to the further diversification of ideas. However, Canadian and permanent residents of Canada will be given priority.