



**DIRECTOR, University of Michigan Risk Science Center**  
**PROFESSOR, Charles and Rita Gelman Professor in Risk Sciences**

The University of Michigan Risk Science Center (UMRSC) is seeking a Director with exceptional leadership skills and a commitment to scientific excellence. A recent gift to the UMRSC established an endowed professorship for the Director, funds for the addition of two new faculty members and fellowship support for graduate students, as well as for Center administration and marketing. The Director will be expected to continue to build the Center's strong national and international reputation in the risk sciences and orchestrate the next phase of growth. The Director will also hold the Charles and Rita Gelman endowed professorship within the University of Michigan School of Public Health (UM SPH). The UM SPH is one of the premier schools in the nation with a vigorous research program, attracting top students, and access to top researchers across campus.

Established scholars with potential to develop a vibrant research program in the Risk Sciences and Risk Communication areas are encouraged to apply. The appointment will be within a department at the UM SPH (<http://www.sph.umich.edu/academics/>) that matches the expertise of the successful candidate. The selected candidate will be expected to

- provide intellectual, administrative, and scholarly leadership as Director of the UMRSC,
- perform basic and/or applied research in the risk sciences,
- build teams with the ability to tackle a variety of environmental health risk research problems,
- lead the recruitment of two additional junior scientists,
- further develop educational programs,
- establish communication strategies for reaching various audiences, and
- actively participate in development of research funding.

The Director will have primary responsibility for identifying and selecting the areas of study, determining the approach to the study areas, and leading sponsored research projects and/or partnering with other faculty in the development of grant proposals in those areas of interest. She or he will be expected to develop a national and international presence for the UMRSC at scientific meetings and by influencing national decision-making policy. She or he will also participate in instructional activities, in mentoring and supervising students engaged in research activities, and as a member or co-chair of dissertation committees.

Qualifications include a doctoral degree and an outstanding track record of research accomplishments, as evidenced by scholarly contributions to the literature, commensurate with a senior appointment at UM SPH. Candidates seeking interdisciplinary research and teaching and/or who have a broad background in the public health sciences, including risk and the policy sciences, are encouraged to apply.

Letters of application, including curriculum vitae and three references, will be accepted until the position is filled. All inquiries and applications will be treated in a confidential manner and should be sent to:

UM Risk Science Center, Attention: Hilda McDonald, SPH I Rm 1800, 109 S. Observatory, Ann Arbor, MI 48109-2029  
*Electronic Submissions Preferred (pdf files, please)* e-mail: [umrscsearch@umich.edu](mailto:umrscsearch@umich.edu)

The University of Michigan is an equal opportunity/affirmative action employer. Individuals from traditionally underrepresented groups are encouraged to apply.