



The School of Medicine, Faculty of Health at Witten/Herdecke University, invites applications for a position as the

**Professor (W2 equivalent) of the “Friede Springer Endowed Professorship of Global Child Health”.**

The position is available as of January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2017.

Founded in 1983, Witten/Herdecke University (UW/H) is the oldest private, yet fully state-recognized prestigious university in Germany. Over a period of 30 years, UW/H has introduced significant innovations in research and teaching. As a model university and in adherence to Humboldt’s educational ideals, UW/H perceives itself as an entrepreneurial organization and strives to integrate research and student education, provision of scientific services, practical application and social responsibility. Theory-based and practice-oriented teaching at UW/H is always associated with the acquisition of subject-related, methodological, social and cultural competences, value orientation and personal growth. The research focus of the Faculty of Health is “integrative and personalized health care”, organized in three clusters which include health services research. The main degree programs in medicine, dentistry, nursing science, and psychology are distinguished by a differentiated selection process, problem-oriented learning, an intense practice- and patient-orientated approach, strengthening of the individual personality development and a high degree of collegiate participation.

The professorship focuses on research in the area of neonatal, child, and adolescent health in “Low and Middle Income Countries” (LMICs), identifies barriers to and solutions for improving global child health, and facilitates the transfer of epidemiological and clinical evidence into health care services with the goal of improving the health status of all children globally. In this context, it also serves to improve the care of the particular population of migrant and refugee children in Europe. It facilitates institutional, national and international networking and collaboration with universities, academic institutions and key partners like WHO, UNICEF, the Partnership for Maternal, Neonatal and Child Health, and others. In addition, it provides academic and health policy advice to national and international governmental as well as non-governmental organizations with regard to global child health.

Successful candidates will be board-certified pediatricians in their country of residence, with considerable experience in LMICs, and innovative and rigorous researchers who publish in high-ranked international peer-reviewed journals and have substantial experience and success in acquiring external funding for research and academic teaching. They must hold an academic degree such as the “Habilitation” (post-doctoral lecturing qualification), an MD-PhD or an equivalent qualification. Both didactic teaching skills and a high commitment to fostering young academicians in research are necessary. Innovative teaching methods, including the development of an under-/postgraduate program in global child health, and an adequate presence at the university campus are expected.

The appointment as an endowed professor is initially for five years, with the option of permanent extension after positive evaluation. The teaching load is nine hours per semester week.

The deadline for application is October 15<sup>th</sup>, 2016. A complete application must include the following:

- Letter of application stating qualifications, experience, research plans, and teaching interests
- Complete curriculum vitae
- Complete list of publications and teaching experience
- Teaching evaluations (if applicable)
- Two samples of major research output (published papers).

Please note, that we need the essential parts of the application in German language.

Please include the application form sheet of the Faculty of Health as a separate pdf file. The form sheet is available from [marlies.guenther@uni-wh.de](mailto:marlies.guenther@uni-wh.de).

We are an equal opportunities employer and welcome applications from all suitably qualified persons regardless of their nationality, race, sex, disability, religion/belief, sexual orientation or age. Moreover, Witten/Herdecke University actively aims to increase the percentage of female staff. Therefore, applications from women are particularly welcome. Only complete applications addressed to the Dean of the Faculty, Prof. Dr. med. Stefan Wirth, and submitted online (pdf, ideally in one document) to [stefan.wirth@uni-wh.de](mailto:stefan.wirth@uni-wh.de) will be considered.