



**School Director (JOB#12081)**  
**Arizona State University**  
**School of Life Sciences**

Arizona State University, rated first in the US for innovation (<https://about.asu.edu/rankings>), is a dynamic institution dedicated to interdisciplinary collaborations, rethinking university education, and integrating excellence in research, teaching, and service. To support this commitment, the School of Life Sciences (SOLS) in the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences at Arizona State University (ASU), Tempe Campus, invites applications for Director, with a concurrent appointment as Tenured Professor. The anticipated start date is July 1, 2018, although some flexibility is negotiable.

SOLS is among ASU's largest and most distinguished units (<https://sols.asu.edu>). A vibrant community of scholars, teachers, and professionals, SOLS includes over 90 tenure-track faculty members within six Faculty Groups that serve 2,800 undergraduate majors and 280 PhD and MS students in ten graduate programs. A highly engaged and collaborative unit, SOLS is a leader in research and educational initiatives in biomedicine, molecular biology, genomics, bioinformatics, ecology, evolutionary biology, physiology, and sociobiology.

SOLS faculty are affiliated with a wide diversity of transdisciplinary research groups, including the Biodesign Institute and the Julie Ann Wrigley Global Institute of Sustainability, and the Centers for Biodiversity Knowledge Integration, Biodiversity Outcomes, Bioenergy and Photosynthesis, Biology and Society, Bio-mediated and Bio-inspired Geotechnics, Evolution and Medicine, Global Drylands, Metabolic and Vascular Biology, Social Dynamics and Complexity, and the Arizona-Phoenix Long-Term Ecological Research program.

Additionally, SOLS has off-campus collaborations with Barrow Neurological Institute, Mayo Clinic, Translational Genomics Institute, the Phoenix Zoo, the Desert Botanical Garden, and the Smithsonian Institution, as well as with community partners in education, health care, and conservation.

The Director will develop and implement a comprehensive plan for SOLS and strategic initiatives related to the faculty, staff, and students, providing leadership, vision, and the capacity to engage faculty across a range of disciplines, while sustaining a culture of collaboration both within and beyond the School, strengthening links with other academic units at ASU, and with the wider community. The Director will promote the design principles of the "New American University" (<https://newamericanuniversity.asu.edu/about/design-aspirations>), fostering growth and innovation in the School's research mission, working to attract, develop, and retain exceptional faculty members, promoting excellence in the undergraduate and graduate programs, developing interdisciplinary research and teaching initiatives, advancing entrepreneurial opportunities, and enhancing relations within and outside the university community.

### **Minimum Qualifications**

- A PhD or equivalent in Biology or a closely related field
- A distinguished scholarly record commensurate with the rank of Tenured Professor
- Relevant administrative experience

### **Desired Qualifications**

- Demonstrated appreciation for a breadth of research areas within Biology and interdisciplinary science
- Demonstrated innovative and strategic leadership
- Demonstrated experience serving a diverse student and/or faculty population

To apply, please submit to [solsfacultysearch1@asu.edu](mailto:solsfacultysearch1@asu.edu): a letter of interest, a curriculum vitae, and contact information including emails for five references. References may be contacted at a later stage of the search and only with the candidate's approval. Initial deadline for receipt of complete applications is October 13, 2017; if not filled, complete applications will be reviewed each week thereafter until the search is closed. A background check is required for employment. For additional information, please feel free to contact Professor Rajeev Misra ([rajeev.misra@asu.edu](mailto:rajeev.misra@asu.edu)).

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