

**Director, Eppley Institute for Parks and Public Lands
Indiana Institute on Disability and Community
Indiana University - Bloomington**

Eppley Institute for Parks and Public Lands - Position Summary:

Founded in 1993, Eppley serves as a widely respected statewide, national, and international resource that provides training and learning design, research, planning, and accessibility guidance to parks and public land agencies with a focus on up to date and practical solutions for interpreting park resources, enhancing visitor experience, and managing facilities, natural resources, and cultural assets. Eppley strives to promote and support physical and programmatic access for all, including people with disabilities.

Drawing on Eppley's vast internal training and development resources, research and evaluation capacities, and technical assistance expertise, it works in partnership with government, education, nonprofit, and for-profit organizations to solve local challenges.

This is a twelve-month, non-tenure track, academic position.

Unit

Eppley is housed in the Indiana Institute on Disability and Community (IIDC), an interdisciplinary, university-wide research center at the Indiana University Bloomington campus. With over 120 faculty and staff, the IIDC includes seven research centers, of which Eppley is one. The IIDC's mission is to work with and across communities to ensure people with disabilities are included in the various aspects of community life. A central way the IIDC does this is through the development, implementation, and dissemination of research and education and through service activities to advance best practices and policies related to services and supports for people with disabilities in Indiana and the nation.

Director Responsibilities:

1. Provide leadership to and implement the Great Lakes Park Training Institute, an annual conference that explores current issues and techniques in parks.
2. Provide leadership to and implement the U.S. Play Coalition and its annual, national conference.
3. Maintain existing and develop new training and certification offerings to meet needs of professionals in the field.
4. Develop and maintain relationships with a wide constituency to advance the work of Eppley.
5. Continue to build a program of external funding to advance the training and education, evaluation and planning, and technical assistance mission of the IIDC.
6. Manage and supervise center staff. Conduct administrative duties for budgets, grant deliverables, and other Institute related responsibilities.
7. Serve on the IIDC Leadership Team and participate in management meetings and activities of the Indiana Institute on Disability and Community.
8. Maintain an affiliation with the appropriate school at Indiana University, which is consistent with the responsibilities of an adjunct faculty member at a major research university.

Required Qualifications:

1. Masters in Park and Recreation Administration, or related area.
2. Additional experience in administration, working with an interdisciplinary team, training, and writing professionally in the field of parks and recreation.
3. Demonstrated ability to secure external funding to advance a program of research and training.

Preferred Qualifications

1. PhD in Park and Recreation Administration, or related area.
2. Experience in leadership, including successfully developing and supporting staff.
3. Ongoing program of research and publication in the field of parks and recreation.

Interested candidates should apply online at <https://indiana.peopleadmin.com/postings/21787> and submit the following”

1. Curriculum Vitae
2. Letter of Application
3. Sample Publication

A relocation allowance will be provided to offset documented expenses.

The IIDC is committed to achieving excellence through cultural diversity. The university actively encourages applications and nominations of women, persons of color, applicants with disabilities, and members of other under-represented groups.

Applications received by March 1, 2024, will be assured full consideration; however, the search will remain open until a suitable candidate is found. Expected appointment date is July 1, 2024. Applications will be reviewed until the position is filled. Specific questions regarding this position should be addressed to Derek Nord, Director, Indiana Institute on Disability and Community at Indiana University, dnord@indiana.edu, or Susan Henning-Harris, skharris@indiana.edu.

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