Nominations and applications are sought for the position of Director, Hawai‘i Institute of Marine Biology (HIMB), in the School of Ocean and Earth Science and Technology (SOEST) at the University of Hawai‘i at Mānoa.

The successful candidate will have broad, progressive views of marine biology, a proven ability to secure research and development funds, and the skills and experience needed to lead an institute that encompasses a wide range of research, education, and service activities. The new Director will possess a blend of entrepreneurial vision, and sensitivity to and willingness to engage with, the culturally complex communities of Hawai‘i. The HIMB Director is expected to foster close interactions with other SOEST units, the University, as well as the local community.

Nominees and applicants must have a doctoral degree in a related field, a distinguished, internationally established reputation in marine-related research, skill at establishing community partnerships and donor relations, and a successful history of obtaining programmatic support. Candidates must also have familiarity with the administration of a research institute or large research program. Collaborative experience with international institutions, especially in Pacific Rim countries, is desirable.

The Institute’s principal facilities and operations are located on Coconut Island (Moku o Lo‘e), an island surrounded by a coral reef in Kāne‘ohe Bay on the windward side of the island of O‘ahu, about 24 km from the Mānoa campus. The general research, education, and service program at HIMB currently encompasses basic and applied aspects of tropical marine biology, coral reef ecology, and marine science education including areas of emphasis in the following five sub-disciplines: 1) coral reef biophysical and biogeographical research; 2) coral reef ecology, evolution, and biodiversity; 3) fisheries research; 4) behavior and bioacoustics research; and 5) K-20 marine education and community outreach. The Institute is in the process of a $15 million renovation of its facilities to accommodate growing research and education programs.

The University of Hawai‘i at Mānoa is a land-, sea-, and space-grant institution with an enrollment of approximately 20,000 graduate and undergraduate students. HIMB employs approximately 70 individuals including 26 research faculty. In addition, faculty from various University of Hawai‘i colleges are affiliated with HIMB, as are scientists from federal agencies, short-term visiting scientists, and adjunct faculty. The Institute’s Director reports directly to the Dean of the prestigious School of Ocean Earth Science and Technology (SOEST), the largest school within the University of Hawai‘i System.

The salary will be competitive and commensurate with qualifications and experience. Nominations should be sent directly to the Chair of the Search Committee. This search will continue until the position is filled. Applications are being considered immediately. Application letters, including a resume, a vision statement, and the names, addresses, and telephone numbers of at least four professional references, and requests for information should be sent to:

Chair, HIMB Director Search Committee  
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The University of Hawai‘i at Mānoa is an Affirmative Action/Equal Employment Opportunity employer. Women and minority candidates are encouraged to apply.