Purpose and Summary

It is the policy of the University of Arizona to provide equal employment opportunity without regard to race, color, religion, sex, national origin, age, disability, veteran status, sexual orientation, gender identity, or genetic information.

The University of Arizona is also a federal government contractor and, as such, has certain obligations to take affirmative action to ensure that its policies and practices are, in fact, nondiscriminatory.

Policy

It is our policy to take affirmative action to employ and advance in employment covered veterans, individuals with disabilities, women, and minorities. Where required by law, the University of Arizona has established goals by which we may measure our progress in employing persons based on individual ability and merit and in the numbers reasonably expected based on their availability.

The University of Arizona makes good faith efforts to reach covered veterans, individuals with disabilities, women, and minorities with information about our equal opportunity policy and, specifically, about employment opportunities at the University. This recruitment effort is particularly important for jobs where women or minorities are not currently participating in the numbers
expected by their availability. It is the policy of the University of Arizona to invite all interested persons, both from outside the University and from within the University community, to apply for such opportunities.

As a matter of law and as a matter of University policy, selection for opportunities for hire, promotion, transfer, or training, as well as decisions regarding demotion, termination, layoff, or other terms and conditions of employment, shall occur without regard to race, color, religion, sex, national origin, or other prohibited basis.

The University has formally assigned the responsibilities contained in its written Affirmative Action Plans for Women and Minorities, for Individuals with Disabilities, and for Protected Veterans to each vice president, dean, director, department head, manager, and supervisor, and the University does insist that these employees adhere to the commitment made in each Affirmative Action Plan.

**Related Information**


**Reporting of Applicant and Employee Demographic Information:** The government requires the University of Arizona to keep records and file reports to document our compliance with civil rights laws and regulations. Among the requirements is to request information on the sex, race, and ethnicity of University applicants and employees. This information is collected for the sole purpose of providing data the University uses for statistical analysis and for sending summary reports to the federal government for civil rights enforcement. It may only be used in accordance with applicable laws, executive orders, and regulations. Personally identifiable information is kept confidential, and will not be made available for any other purpose, such as to locate particular groups or individuals, or to generate mailing lists. The University of Arizona has adopted this guideline to ensure compliance with privacy laws, to avoid discrimination, and to uphold the best interests of the University’s applicants and employees.

**Revision History**

07/06/2022: Revised to include statement regarding collection and limited use of demographic information [Related Information Section].

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**Links**

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