Director, Center for Emerging Technologies

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Position Type
Professional Staff

Faculty Track

Employment Status
Full Time

Months
12

Campus
Both ME Campuses

Description
The Director of the Center for Emerging Technologies (CET) is a senior leader responsible for shaping and advancing UNE's ecosystem in artificial intelligence and other new technologies. The Director drives strategic development of academic programs across the University through the translation and promotion of emerging technological tools and trends. Focal areas of emphasis include, but are not limited to, Biotechnology and Health, Marine and Environmental Sciences, Digital and Creative Economy, Business Analytics, and Workforce Futures and Tech Readiness. In partnership with the Office of Information Technology Services, the Director assists with the evaluation and implementation of new technological tools. They also consult with business units across the University on automation and AI tools to enhance operations.

Reporting directly to the Provost and Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs, the Director oversees daily operations, manages program teams, and ensures UNE becomes Maine's leading hub for future focused education, technology innovation, and industry collaboration.

Applicants are encouraged to review the full search profile for a comprehensive overview of the University of New England, the Center for Emerging Technologies, and the scope of the position.

Director, Center for Emerging Technologies Search Profile

About the University of New England
UNE is Maine's largest private university, with two beautiful coastal campuses in Maine, a one-of-a-kind study-abroad campus in Tangier, Morocco, and an array of flexible online offerings. In an uncommonly welcoming and supportive community, we offer hands-on learning, empowering students to positively impact a world full of challenges. We are the state's top provider of health professionals and home to Maine's only medical and dental colleges, a variety of other interprofessionally aligned health care programs, and nationally recognized programs in the marine sciences, the natural and social sciences, business, the humanities, and the arts.

Benefits Overview

- Multiple health and dental plan options, plus vision coverage.
- Up to **8%** retirement plan match.
- Generous leave time, including vacation, sick, and personal time, and 12+ holidays per year.
- **Educational benefits**:
    - UNE tuition waiver for employees, spouses, and domestic partners.
    - UNE tuition waiver for dependents of employees with 1 year of full-time service.
        50% tuition reduction if less than 1 year of full-time service.

For more information about our outstanding benefits, please visit: **UNE Benefits Overview**

Responsibilities

- Partner with deans and other academic leaders on the integration of AI tools and other emerging technologies into existing academic programs
- Assist in the development of new co-curricular and experiential learning programs tied to emerging technologies
- Translate emerging trends (AI, biotech, XR, etc.) into actionable University programs
- Build strong partnerships with industry, startups, government, and nonprofits
- Oversee CET operations, including budgets, timelines, and performance metrics
- Manage CET grants, funding opportunities, and external collaborations
- Lead pilot projects in AI, biotech, XR, and automation
- Support faculty in emerging-tech initiatives
- Support faculty in integrating AI and other technological tools in their research and scholarship
- Create student academic pathways (fellowships, micro-credentials, industry challenges)
- Represent UNE locally, regionally, and nationally

Qualifications

Required

- Bachelor's degree in technology, science, business, or related field; master's or doctoral degree preferred
- 7-10+ years of experience in innovation and technology, including automation and artificial intelligence
- Experience launching or managing technology-driven programs
- Strong leadership, communication, and partnership-building skills

Preferred

- Experience in higher education, research and development, and/or startups
- Knowledge of biotechnology, marine/environmental science, digital platforms, and emerging tech fields
- Grant writing and fundraising experience preferred

EEO Statement Summary

Consistent with federal and state law and University policy, the University of New England is committed to the fundamental concept of equal opportunity for all of the members of the University community. The University prohibits, and will not tolerate, discrimination in employment, the provision of academic services or in any other area of University life based on race, color, sex, physical or mental disability, religion, age, ancestry, national origin, sexual orientation, gender identity and/or expression, ethnicity, genetic information, HIV status, or status as a veteran. Prohibited bias factors should not motivate decisions regarding students, employees, applicants for admission, applicants for employment, contractors, volunteers or participants in and/or users of institutional programs, services, and activities.

COVID Vaccination Statement (PLEASE NOTE)

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