

The University of Sioux Falls
Presidential Position Announcement
July 1, 2016

The University of Sioux Falls announces the search for its next President. The vacancy follows President Mark Benedetto's retirement, effective summer 2017.

The Board of Trustees of the University of Sioux Falls invites nominations and applications for the position of President. The University seeks a Christ-centered leader who has a passion for Christian, liberal arts higher education. The ideal candidate will possess a terminal degree and/or a record of successful executive leadership. He or she will be recognized as a visionary leader with outstanding communication skills and a commitment to collaborative governance. The University is seeking a candidate who will inspire students, alumni, staff and faculty, and will engage constructively with University stakeholders as well as civic leaders. He or she will also have documented fundraising success and the fiscal proficiency to manage the institution's financial resources. The candidate must have a keen understanding of the higher education landscape and a demonstrated capacity to meet its challenges. She or he will possess the qualities necessary to distinguish her or himself as a community leader in a vibrant city, while promoting the mission of the University of Sioux Falls.

The presidential search is being conducted by the Personnel Committee of the Board of Trustees and a Presidential Search Committee consisting of faculty, staff, students and trustees. It is the desire of the Board of Trustees that the 23rd President of the University begin employment prior to the start of the 2017-2018 academic year. The new President will serve as the University's Chief Executive Officer and will report directly to the Board of Trustees.

The mission of the University of Sioux Falls is to foster academic excellence and the development of mature Christian persons for service to God and the world. The University of Sioux Falls is a Christian university in the liberal arts tradition that affirms the supremacy of Christ in all areas of life. Over the last two decades, the University has grown in faculty strength, student enrollment and endowment resources. The University offers more than 80 undergraduate academic programs, including majors, pre-professional programs, minors and specializations as well as adult and graduate offerings in business, degree completion, education and nursing. Among its recent groundbreaking educational initiatives is a dynamic nursing program and the creation of the Lillibridge Center for Entrepreneurial Studies and Innovation. In 2012, the University became an official member of the NCAA Division II and joined the Northern Sun Intercollegiate Athletic Conference. Steeped in history, dedicated to academic excellence, and remarkable in its accomplishments, the University of Sioux Falls is a distinctively Christian, liberal arts university that stands out among the many fine institutions of higher learning in the region.

The University of Sioux Falls is located in the heart of Sioux Falls, South Dakota, a progressive and respected center for health care, banking and agriculture. The Great Plains region, with its beautiful landscapes and rich agricultural land, enjoys economic and cultural vitality. The city

boasts a multitude of recreational opportunities including parks and paved bike trails along the Big Sioux River. The city of Sioux Falls is South Dakota's largest city with a growing population of 171,544 people, and a metropolitan area of over 240,000. It has been recognized in the national press as one of the nation's top cities in which to live.

Inquiries, nominations and applications are invited. The review of applicants will commence immediately with preference granted to those who submit applications in a timely manner, so as to enable the next President to begin employment at the University prior to the start of the 2017-18 academic year.

To apply for the position of President of the University of Sioux Falls, please submit a cover letter addressing the desired qualifications, a current résumé or vitae, a statement of faith and a list of five professional references with the name, address, email address, telephone number and each reference's position. Electronic submissions are preferred. Application materials will be kept confidential and the University will not contact references without prior permission from the applicant.

For further information, go to usiouxfalls.edu or presidentalsearch.usiouxfalls.edu

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