

PROVOST AND VICE PRESIDENT FOR ACADEMIC AFFAIRS



FERRIS STATE UNIVERSITY

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Ferris State University invites applications and nominations for the position of **Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs**. Reporting directly to the President, the Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs is the primary representative of the President in his absence. As the chief academic officer, the Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs provides leadership for the deans in the nine colleges, which comprise the university.

Ferris State University, a dynamic and distinctive institution nestled in the heart of west-central Michigan, is in its second century of providing a career-oriented, technological and professional education to more than 12,500 students seeking two-year, four-year, master's and doctoral degrees (<http://www.ferris.edu/homepage.htm>).

The Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs serves as the chief academic officer of the university with responsibility for academic leadership, strategic planning, and program review. The Provost and Vice President for Academic affairs works collaboratively with the deans to recruit and retain a quality faculty. This individual is responsible for the development and administration of the budget for the Office of Academic Affairs and all of its units.

The ideal candidate will have an earned doctorate, credentials consistent with appointment as a tenured full-professor and progressively significant academic leadership experience with line responsibility as a dean or above. Candidates must have a strong commitment to Ferris' unique career-oriented educational programs and the ability to foster partnerships across disciplines and colleges, as well as the capacity to develop and promote collaborations with educational partners and communities. The successful applicant will have excellent oral and written communication skills, a proven record of delegation and collaboration, commitment to diversity, and the ability to work collaboratively and to build effective teams. A complete position profile about this search may be found at: www.academic-search.com.

Applications and nominations will be reviewed beginning **September 30, 2008**, but will be accepted until an appointment is made, within the practical limits of the process as finalists are identified. Application materials should include: 1) a letter of interest which addresses directly the strategic priorities and desired leadership attributes outlined in the position profile, 2) a curriculum vitae, and 3) the names, addresses, telephone numbers and e-mail addresses of five references for future contact—please also include your professional relationship with each reference listed. All names will remain confidential except for those individuals invited to campus interviews. Application and nomination materials should be submitted electronically to: FerrisProvost@academic-search.com.

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