Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs and Provost

The University of Maine (“UMaine”) seeks an innovative, effective, and skilled leader to serve as the next Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs and Provost (“EVPAA”).

The flagship campus of the University of Maine System, UMaine is a land, sea, and space grant university serving the state, nation, and world through its research, teaching, economic development, and public service mission. UMaine is located in the town of Orono and is home to a vibrant community of 11,000 students who are drawn to this institution from across Maine, Wabanaki First Nations, various US states, and 60 countries. The University offers 90 undergraduate and 100 graduate programs taught by world-class faculty with modern teaching and laboratory facilities. With a sustained focus on research, innovation, and entrepreneurship and annual extramural research expenditures exceeding $137 million, UMaine is seeking to achieve the highest Carnegie Classification as a doctoral university with very high research activity. Located on Marsh Island in the Penobscot Nation homeland and home to the state’s sole Division I athletic program, the University employs 2,025 full-time faculty and staff. It is dedicated to enhancing the well-being of the state through research, cultural enrichment, and the development of an educated workforce. UMaine’s regional campus, University of Maine at Machias (“UMM”), offers its 650 students baccalaureate degrees within an active and diverse community of learners who share a commitment to exploration, leadership, collaboration, and interdisciplinary problem solving. The easternmost university in the nation, UMM is inspired by its unique coastal location and has been designated an Engaged Campus by the Carnegie Foundation.

The EVPAA is the chief academic officer of the University and serves as its second most senior leader. Reporting to the president of the University, the EVPAA oversees academic and institutional strategic planning, plays a major role in the budgeting process and allocation of University resources, and has significant interaction with donors and involvement with the University’s fundraising initiatives. Areas of responsibility for the position include: the University’s academic policies and procedures; academic program planning, implementation, and assessment; accreditation; enrollment management; student success initiatives; elements of graduate education; institutional research; university libraries; and academic personnel management. The EVPAA also plays a leading role in the Chief Academic Officers’ Council of the University of Maine System, working collaboratively with System leadership and other campuses to ensure academic excellence and innovation in teaching and learning in furthering the goals of the System’s unified accreditation.

Strong candidates for the position will exhibit a deep commitment to excellence and innovation in the academy, an extensive administrative record that demonstrates problem-solving ability, a commitment to diversity and inclusive excellence, a keen understanding of the current issues facing higher education and their ramifications in both the state of Maine and nationally, a desire to serve as a change agent, and an earned doctorate or equivalent. Additionally, the best suited candidates will demonstrate a commitment to collaboration, sound judgment, tolerance of ambiguity, excellent analytic skills, patience, persistence, and integrity.

For best consideration, please send all nominations and applications to:
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