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The Utah Board of Higher Education invites nominations and applications for the position of President of Southern Utah University—one of 16 institutions within the Utah System of Higher Education.

Founded in 1897 and located in Cedar City, Southern Utah University is a dynamic teaching and learning community inspired by its renowned natural surroundings. The University celebrates its rich history and heritage while maintaining close-knit ties with the rural community. With more than 140 undergraduate programs and 21 graduate and certificate programs across seven academic colleges, SUU offers world-class, project-based learning opportunities for its more than 13,500 students, making the University a leader in growth and academic outcomes. SUU maintains varied programs to meet unique regional needs while serving students from Utah's 29 counties, all 50 states in the nation, and more than 68 foreign countries.

In addition to its thriving academic mission, SUU is home to the Tony Award-winning Utah Shakespeare Festival, which is now the official North American partner of the Royal Academy of Dramatic Arts in London. SUU has also established a growing, successful athletics program with 15 teams competing in Division I NCAA athletics. Known locally as the University of the Parks, SUU is located within a five-hour drive from more than 20 national parks and monuments in Utah, Arizona, and Nevada.

The president is appointed by and serves at the pleasure of the Utah Board of Higher Education and — with oversight from the SUU Board of Trustees — is responsible for the overall administration of the University. The successful candidate must be committed to preserving, fostering, and expanding Southern Utah University's mission to create an inclusive and innovative institution of higher education where students receive experiential education that leads to personal growth, civic responsibility, and professional excellence. Accordingly, candidates should have demonstrated success in a leadership role, preferably at a university. Ideal candidates will also have a proven record of scholarly achievement in higher education, experience and success in fundraising, and integral qualities for leading a comprehensive regional institution of higher education. The University's foremost priority is student success. Successful candidates must demonstrate how they will provide all students with academic rigor and impactful experiences while nurturing strong student, staff, and faculty relationships.

Candidates should have an appreciation for SUU's heritage and history and, at the same time, a vision for the University's role in an evolving and increasingly diverse national and international higher education landscape. The University is committed to the principles of diversity, equity, and inclusion. Candidates must be inclusive in their methods and perspectives and create a culture where these practices can flourish. An earned doctoral or equivalent terminal degree is preferred.

Nominations and letters of application with a complete resume, five references, and other supporting materials should be submitted to:

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The Presidential Search Committee will begin reviewing candidate submissions on **May 14, 2022**, and will continue to accept nominations and applications until the position is filled. Potential candidates desiring more information about Southern Utah University or the Utah System of Higher Education should access suu.edu and ushe.edu or contact Commissioner Woolstenhulme.

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