Academic Vacancy



The University of Louisiana at Lafayette invites nominations and applications for the position of Dean of the College of Liberal Arts. The Dean is the chief academic officer for the College and reports directly to the Provost and Vice-President for Academic Affairs. The Dean is responsible for providing a long-term vision for the College and its research centers and affiliated programs; for implementing the university's strategic plan [http://www.louisiana.edu/Faculty/Senate/Bruderfiles/Strategic.pdf], including its focus on Louisiana culture and heritage and its commitment to global citizenship; for advancing and supporting excellence in teaching, research and service; for leading the College's efforts to recruit high-caliber students; and for enhancing and sustaining the quality of undergraduate and graduate programs.

The successful candidate must have a terminal degree in the humanities or social sciences and have a strong record of scholarship, teaching and administrative experience, a flexible management style, a commitment to both undergraduate and graduate education, interdisciplinary activity and innovative program development, and a balanced appreciation for the humanities and the social sciences. He or she will be expected to build and maintain effective collaborative relationships both within and beyond the boundaries of the college and the university.

The College of Liberal Arts awards 16 bachelor's, seven master's, and three doctoral degrees. It consists of nine academic departments: Communication; Communicative Disorders; Criminal Justice; English; History, Geography and Philosophy; Modern Languages; Political Science; Psychology; and Sociology, Anthropology, and Child and Family Studies. It also houses several research centers and affiliated programs, including the Center for Louisiana Studies, the Center for Cultural and Eco-Tourism, the University of Louisiana Press, the Cajun and Creole Archives, the Center for Moving Image Arts, the Ernest J. Gaines Center, the Early Childhood Lab, the Humanities Resource Center, the Writing Center, the Counselor Education Program, the Intensive English Program, the Study Abroad Program, and the Interdisciplinary Humanities Program. The College has an enrollment of nearly 3,000 majors, including over 320 graduate students. The college faculty comprises 160 full-time faculty and 120 part-time and adjunct faculty. Additional information about the College is available at http://liberalarts.louisiana.edu.

The University of Louisiana at Lafayette is the largest of nine publicly-supported state institutions governed by the University of Louisiana System. UL Lafayette is a Carnegie Doctoral University with high research activity with over 16,800 students and approximately 620 permanent faculty. Located midway between New Orleans and Houston, Lafayette is the heart of Louisiana's Acadian-Creole region. The city of 120,000 is one of Louisiana's fastest growing and is the hub of numerous cultural festivals and celebrations. Further information on UL Lafayette is available at the University's web site, http://www.louisiana.edu.

Salary commensurate with qualifications and experience. Starting date: July 1, 2012. AA/EEO compliant.

Initial consideration of applications will begin on January 4, 2012, and will continue until the position is filled. Applicants should submit to the address below a letter of interest including a statement of qualifications, a curriculum vitae, and names and contact information for three references. Electronic applications are preferred.

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