



## **SOUTHERN CONNECTICUT STATE UNIVERSITY PROVOST AND VICE PRESIDENT FOR ACADEMIC AFFAIRS**

Southern Connecticut State University, a comprehensive public university in New Haven, Connecticut, invites applications, nominations, and expressions of interest for the position of Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs. Southern seeks a seasoned academic leader and administrator with strong faculty credentials and a broad and thoughtful understanding of higher education. The successful candidate will be committed to Southern's mission of "academic excellence, access, social justice, and service for the public good" as well as to the success of the students it serves. The new Provost will work closely with Southern's new president, Dr. Joe Bertolino, as well as with a talented, experienced, and dynamic senior administrative team. Southern's faculty are dedicated and effective teachers as well as productive and successful scholars who are committed to academic excellence. They expect the new Provost to demonstrate creative, visionary, and collegial leadership grounded in a deep commitment to the academic enterprise and the principles and practice of shared governance.

Founded in 1893 as New Haven Normal School, the University has evolved to its current status as a modern, diversified center of higher learning with excellent undergraduate and graduate programs. Southern is one of four comprehensive universities in the 17-member Connecticut State Colleges and Universities system. Southern's five schools – the School of Arts and Sciences, the School of Business, the School of Education, the School of Health and Human Services, and the School of Graduate Studies, Research, and Innovation – offer more than 100 degree programs. Bachelor's and master's degrees are awarded, as well as sixth-year professional diplomas and doctoral degrees in educational leadership and nursing. Complementing the schools are a recently-expanded library, a state-of-the-art science building, and several nationally-recognized academic centers.

Southern's 10,320 diverse students are taught and mentored by 423 talented full-time faculty members, 87 percent of whom hold a doctorate or another appropriate terminal degree. The students are additionally supported by a devoted full-time staff of 534 and a part-time staff of 186, all of whom are true partners in the educational enterprise. A strong cadre of 541 part-time faculty members, many of whom are practitioners in their fields, adds a breadth of knowledge and experience to the classroom.

The Provost reports directly to the President and is the central member of the President's Leadership Team, serving as Acting President in the President's absence. The academic affairs division is composed of the faculty and 90 dedicated full- and part-time staff members.

The Provost oversees a broad portfolio which includes the five schools, Buley Library, assessment and planning, academic programs, faculty development, international education, interdisciplinary studies, and institutional research.

The ideal candidate will have strong academic credentials, a record of effective and creative leadership and administration in higher education, experience at the level of a chief academic officer, experience in a public university with a strong commitment to shared governance, and an unwavering focus on student success. The new Provost will demonstrate leadership and relational skills that inspire trust, create effective partnerships both on and off-campus, draw out the potential of the SCSU community, and challenge the institution to achieve higher levels of excellence.

For further information and instructions to applicants, please visit <https://www.southernct.edu/provost-search/> or [www.agbsearch.com/searches/provost-southern-connecticut-state-university](http://www.agbsearch.com/searches/provost-southern-connecticut-state-university)

For fullest consideration, applications should be received by **November 28, 2016**

Nominations and inquiries are welcomed and should be directed to:

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*Southern is an Affirmative Action/Equal Opportunity employer. The University seeks to enhance the diversity of its faculty and staff. People of color, women and persons with disabilities are strongly encouraged to apply.*

