

Dean of the Graduate School

Purdue University invites nominations and applications for the position of Dean of the Graduate School. This senior academic officer is charged with advancing the preeminence of Purdue's system wide Graduate School.

This is an exciting time in Purdue's history. The University has just completed a \$1.7 billion fundraising campaign, created a major interdisciplinary research organization (Discovery Park: www.purdue.edu/dp/) with new facilities, added 300 new faculty positions, successfully concluded a strategic plan, and welcomed Dr. France A. Córdova as its eleventh President. The University is poised for another set of initiatives that will be determined by a new strategic plan (www.purdue.edu/strategic_plan/2007-13/) now being crafted. Further information about Purdue is available at the University website (www.purdue.edu).

Housed on five campuses, Purdue's graduate programs are rich and varied (http://www.purdue.edu/GradSchool/). Nearly 2400 Purdue faculty and more than 9,000 graduate students work in laboratories, in seminars, in the field, and in studios. Masters and doctoral degrees are offered in a broad spectrum of traditional disciplinary areas and in interdisciplinary areas. Purdue's graduate faculty, outstanding teachers and innovators in their research fields, provide exceptional mentoring and educational opportunities for their students.

The successful candidate must have a doctoral degree with academic credentials for appointment to the rank of Full Professor; a nationally recognized record of scholarship/research; achievement in developing and managing academic programs and fellowships; success in mentoring graduate students; experience in personnel and fiscal management, including development activities; a vision and passion for the masters and doctoral experiences, and the skill to engage and facilitate interpersonal and public communication with a variety of audiences. The dean of the Graduate School has significant opportunities to enhance the diversity of the University. Purdue's next dean of the Graduate School will also promote partnerships and collaborations within the University, especially with the office of the vice president for research, to support and steward the research experiences of graduate students. The dean will promote Purdue graduate programs nationally and internationally.

The Search Committee will begin reviewing completed applications March 1, 2008 and continue until the position is filled. To receive full consideration, please send a letter of interest that outlines qualifications for the position, curriculum vitae, and the names of at least three

references (including postal/e-mail addresses and phone numbers). Nominating letters should describe the nominee's current position, contain contact information, and provide an assessment of the person's suitability for the position. Send applications or nominations in electronic format (PDF files) to contreni@purdue.edu. For further information contact: Dr. John Contreni, Justin S. Morrill Dean of the College of Liberal Arts, 1290 Beering Hall, 100 N. University Street, West Lafayette, IN 47907-2098; phone: 765-494-3661.

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