Provost Shepherd University

Shepherd University invites nominations and applications for the position of Provost. The search committee will begin immediate review of applications and will continue until the position is filled. The new Provost will assume office in 2018.

Shepherd University is a public liberal arts university located in Shepherdstown, West Virginia, 70 miles west of Washington, DC, with an enrollment of over 3,000 undergraduate and 180 graduate students. As one of only 30 institutional members of the Council of Public Liberal Arts Colleges (COPLAC), the University provides small classes in a broad range of subjects where interdisciplinary study and experiential learning are encouraged. Additionally, Shepherd University takes pride in its pre-professional programs. Academic offerings include 85 undergraduate majors and six graduate programs, including one doctoral program, that ensure successful outcomes for proficiency in writing, critical thinking, and collaboration – the essential skills for personal and professional success in the 21st century. Shepherd's mission is one of service and dedication to a diverse community of learners. Core values for the entire Shepherd University community include learning, engagement, integrity, accessibility, and community.

Reporting to the President and serving as a member of the University's executive leadership team, the Provost provides collaborative academic leadership and internal management for faculty, academic staff, and students in a diverse and growing learning community. The ideal candidate will collaborate with constituents across campus and in the community to ensure student engagement and success. Direct reports to the Provost include the deans or directors of the University's five colleges, the graduate and continuing education program, the Scarborough Library, the Center for Teaching and Learning, International Affairs, and Institutional Research.

The successful candidate will possess a terminal degree in a discipline compatible with academic programs offered by Shepherd University, an outstanding record of teaching and scholarship equivalent to the rank of tenured full professor, and an excellent record of achievement as an administrator. The successful candidate will demonstrate a genuine interest in and strong support for student retention and achievement, a solid record of academic leadership demonstrating entrepreneurial talent through innovative academic programming and assessment, and proven civic engagement through involvement with communities and public agencies. A high level of personal energy and initiative, a commitment to the liberal arts and sciences, active support of pre-professional programs in Business, Nursing and Education, skills in communication, and financial and organizational management skills are essential.

Review of applications will begin immediately and candidate materials received by December 1, 2017 will be assured of full consideration. To apply, go to https://jobs.shepherd.edu. Applications should include a letter of interest, a curriculum vitae, and five names of professional references with email addresses and telephone numbers. Nominations and confidential inquiries should be sent to mdewalt@shepherd.edu.

Please visit Shepherd University's website at www.shepherd.edu for more information.

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