The University of Nevada, Las Vegas (UNLV) invites nominations, expressions of interest, and applications for the position of Executive Vice President and Provost (EVP/Provost). UNLV seeks a scholar with the vision and leadership skills necessary to partner with Dr. Len Jessup, UNLV’s newly appointed President, in further developing and implementing the University’s “Top Tier Initiative”—an ambitious academic strategic plan aimed at enhancing both the profile and capabilities of the institution as a major metropolitan research university. The successful candidate will be an individual capable of engaging community stakeholders in the academic mission of the university.

Founded in 1957, UNLV is a doctoral-degree-granting institution serving over 29,000 students supported by more than 2,900 faculty and staff and has recently experienced its fourth consecutive year of enrollment growth. Located on a 332-acre main campus and two satellite campuses in dynamic Southern Nevada, the University offers more than 220 undergraduate, master’s, and doctoral degree programs through its 15 colleges and schools and has internationally recognized programs in hotel administration and creative writing; professional degrees in law, architecture, and dental medicine; and leading programs in fine arts, sciences and education. In addition to its existing programs, UNLV’s exciting new School of Medicine is on track to welcome its first students in Fall 2017. As the largest research university in the state and the only one in Southern Nevada, UNLV is dedicated to developing and supporting the human capital, regional infrastructure, and economic diversification that Nevada needs for a sustainable future. In addition, in December 2012 UNLV applied for and achieved designation from the Department of Education as a Minority Serving Institution (MSI) and the University meets the requirements as an Asian American, Native American, and Pacific Islander-Serving Institution (AANAPISI) and is also an emerging Hispanic Serving Institution (HSI). UNLV is committed to joining the nation’s top tier of research institutions through a focused effort to attract top students and faculty, educate a diversifying population and workforce, and drive economic activity through research and community partnerships to create a more vibrant economy.

The EVP/Provost reports to the President and serves as the University’s chief academic and budget officer. The EVP/Provost also serves as the chief executive officer of the University in the absence of the President. This individual will oversee and align academic and budgetary policy and priorities, ensure the quality of the faculty and student body, expand the research enterprise, and maintain the educational excellence of the institution. In helping to lead an innovative community of scholars and students, this individual will provide leadership to support an interdisciplinary, student-centered culture across the campus. The EVP/Provost will demonstrate a clear academic vision and serve as an articulate and persuasive spokesperson to assist the President in effectively conveying the importance of a research university as a partner to the community and region. The EVP/Provost will also be responsible for implementing UNLV’s recently developed Strategic Diversity Leadership Report.

The EVP/Provost is charged with the overall administration of all academic units, works closely with Deans and faculty to develop, implement, and promote educational and scholarship goals, and provides leadership to ensure excellence in the university’s academic mission. The EVP/Provost will also foster and manage curricula, teaching, and research of superior quality;
work with the Faculty Senate on matters of academic policies and the general welfare of the University; work with professional and classified staff; and advise the President on plans, policies, and operations. The EVP/Provost oversees all aspects of professional and academic accreditation, allocation of teaching and research facilities, faculty development, and academic personnel. The ability to coordinate priorities within the Nevada System of Higher Education (NSHE) is crucial to all initiatives.

UNLV’s next EVP/Provost must possess an earned doctorate and exemplary academic credentials that engender respect from the academy and the community at large and the qualifications for appointment as a full professor with tenure. In addition, this individual will have: a strong commitment to shared governance in an open environment; a demonstrated commitment to academic quality, including outstanding teaching, scholarship, and service; and the ability to articulate the core values of superior teaching, scholarship, and creativity in a variety of settings. The EVP/Provost will exhibit the ability to formulate a broad and innovative vision coupled with a record of success in the creation and implementation of strategic plans.

The ideal candidate will also bring significant experience in the administration and development of academic research initiatives; experience in fostering internal and external collaborative relationships; a track record in attracting external resources; the ability to build consensus and make decisions in a timely manner; and strong interpersonal skills and experience in working with students, staff, faculty, administrators, and community leaders.

The Search Committee will begin reviewing applications immediately and will continue to accept applications and nominations until the position is filled. Applicants must submit a current curriculum vitae, a letter of interest describing relevant experience and interest in the position, and a list of three professional references. Submission of materials via e-mail is strongly encouraged. Nomination letters should include the name, position, address and telephone number of the nominee. All nominations and applications will be handled in confidence.

Applications and letters of nomination should be submitted to:

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