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## **University of Kansas Chancellor Search Now Accepting Applications and Nominations**

(Topeka, Kansas) - The Kansas Board of Regents and the wider University of Kansas community are pleased to formally announce applications and nominations for the position of Chancellor are now invited.

The Board seeks candidates who have demonstrated exemplary leadership abilities and accomplishments. It is expected that candidates will have impeccable integrity, strategic vision, a high energy level, excellent interpersonal and communication skills, and everyday common sense. The best candidates will be individuals of stature who have a keen understanding of higher education, a passion for educating students, and a proven respect and appreciation for a world-class faculty.

Opened in 1866, the University of Kansas is recognized as one of the finest public research universities in the country and is a member of the Association of American Universities. KU enrolls more than 28,400 students, employs more than 2,100 faculty members, and has an annual operating budget of nearly \$1.3 billion. KU's main campus occupies 1,000 acres on and around Mount Oread in Lawrence. The university also includes the KU Medical Center in Kansas City, Kansas; the Edwards Campus in Overland Park; School of Medicine campuses in Wichita and Salina; and educational and research facilities throughout the state. KU's mission is to lift students and society by educating leaders, building healthy communities, and making discoveries that change the world.

For more information about the University of Kansas, and full details regarding expectations, characteristics, and qualifications for the position, please visit: <https://chancellor.ku.edu/chancellor-search>

"I'd like to thank everyone who contributed to the [Chancellor Leadership Statement](#) by attending our focus groups and contacting the search committee with your ideas," stated Dave Dillon, chair of the Chancellor Search Committee. "We know this university will need a leader who has an in-depth understanding of challenges and key issues confronting higher education, the ability to work with internal and external constituencies, and who demonstrates a commitment to and appreciation of research, scholarly activity, and academic excellence," he continued, "and I am confident we will have many talented applicants who meet these expectations."

The search is being assisted by R. William Funk & Associates. Application materials should be submitted to: [krisha.creal@rwilliamfunk.com](mailto:krisha.creal@rwilliamfunk.com). To assure optimal consideration, applications should be received by March 30, 2017. All applications will remain confidential. Following interviews with the Chancellor Search Committee, the Kansas Board of Regents will conduct interviews and make the final selection. While not a requirement for the position, the new Chancellor is expected to assume office July 1, 2017.

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### **About the Kansas Board of Regents:**

The nine-member Kansas Board of Regents is the governing board of the state's six universities and the statewide coordinating board for the state's 32 public higher education institutions (six state universities, one municipal university, nineteen community colleges, and six technical colleges). In addition, the Board administers the state's student financial aid, adult education, high school equivalency, and career and technical education programs. Private proprietary schools and out-of-state institutions are authorized by the Kansas Board of Regents to operate in Kansas.

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