



Presidential Charge to MU Chancellor Search Committee

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Chancellor Criteria for Consideration

The Chancellor at MU leads a unique campus in the University of Missouri System, complete with AAU status, significant statewide agricultural initiatives and a growing health sciences presence. The UM System is looking for the best possible leader for Mizzou to push these elements and all other initiatives forward.

- The following are desired competencies for the committee to consider when assessing the initial prospects through finalist candidates:
 - Strong commitment to academic excellence
 - Deep understanding and appreciation of the importance of public higher education including a track record of:
 - growing an enterprise of research and scholarly works
 - developing innovative educational programs for improved student outcomes
 - increasing access to higher education
 - fostering partnerships and engagement with government, industry and communities
 - Leadership skills in strategic planning and implementation
 - A record of collaboration, critical to being part of a university system
 - Demonstrated financial management skills and agility to navigate complex fiscal challenges
 - Demonstrated ability in fund-raising
 - A deep commitment to creating an environment that promotes and values diversity and inclusion

These attributes, among others, are what this search must focus on. We need someone who will help us build the stature of the campus and its operations, and who can help us prioritize the ability to build on the current AAU standing. We need someone who has a broad higher education language to draw from as they work with internal and external stakeholders.

Committee Activity

Relative to this search, I ask the committee to provide me the following to complete its activities:

- Up to four, unranked final candidates who the committee believes offer the strongest set of experiences, competencies and attributes to serve as Chancellor of MU.
- The committee's assessment of each finalist's strengths and weaknesses. I will meet with the committee after you complete your finalist interviews to gain your perspectives as a group. These final tasks will conclude the committee's formal activities.