Michigan State University (MSU) invites nominations and applications for the position of President.

Founded in 1855, Michigan State University is one of the world’s leading public research-intensive institutions and a member of the Association of American Universities. MSU enrolls over 50,000 students in seventeen colleges, employs more than 11,000 faculty and staff, and has approximately 563,000 living alumni worldwide. The beautiful 5,200-acre campus is located in East Lansing, Michigan, adjacent to the state capital and an hour from suburban Detroit. The nation’s pioneer land-grant institution, MSU is home to world-class faculty, nationally and internationally recognized academic departments and programs, a diverse student body that represents every corner of the country and world, and a research portfolio with $700 million in total expenditures for 2017.

The next President will embody MSU values, including: the highest level of integrity; appreciation for a diverse community; respect for, and support of, students, faculty, and staff; empathy; and a visionary, innovative approach to leadership that addresses the challenges and opportunities in higher education for 2030 and beyond. Reporting to the Board of Trustees, the President leads the University and serves as the primary advocate for MSU’s interests, particularly the importance of creating an outstanding experience for its students. The President governs the progress of the University by identifying goals and priorities, managing its $2.6 billion budget, stewarding its $2.85 billion endowment, and collaborating across all constituencies to build trust and ensure inclusive representation from the MSU community as the University advances major initiatives. The President also serves as the University’s chief fundraiser, carrying forward momentum from the recently completed $1.7 billion campaign, and garnering the resources necessary to support MSU’s mission to: provide outstanding undergraduate and graduate education; conduct research of the highest caliber; and advance outreach, engagement, and economic development activities in pursuit of better quality of life for communities in Michigan and around the world.

The next President of Michigan State University will work closely with the Board, senior administrators, Deans, and other community leaders to identify, plan, and execute the University’s major initiatives. The President will be able to lead effectively with a commitment to shared governance, and will promote transparency and collaboration across all constituencies. The President will also have: substantive fiscal and personnel management experience; a
demonstrated commitment to the values of equity, inclusion and justice; strong academic credentials; and a record of accomplishment.

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