

Gainesville, Georgia

Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs

Prenau University seeks an experienced and creative academic leader with vision and integrity to be the next Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs. The University has developed and is in the initial stages of enacting its ambitious strategic plan, "Brenau 2025." The new Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs will direct all of the academic programs towards its fulfillment. This senior officer will provide inspiring intellectual and artistic leadership while challenging the University to extraordinary achievement with ever-rising expectations.

Committed to excellence in educating Brenau students, the Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs will work collaboratively with faculty, administrators and staff, enabling the University to accomplish its goals of strengthening and expanding the academic programs offered at its five campuses, online, and within a global context.

The Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs oversees and administers all operations pertaining to academic programs and services of the University. Responsibilities include the Undergraduate School, Brenau Women's College, Graduate School, each of the four Academic Deans and Colleges of the University (College of Business and Mass Communication, College of Education, College of Fine Arts and Humanities, and College of Health and Science), Registrar, Library, Information Technology, Academic Assessment, and all other traditional academic programs.



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The Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs. must be a decision-maker who is able to address daily management of the University's academic affairs while inspirationally leading faculty and support staff to provide high-quality, leading-edge, and distinctive academic programs in the classroom and online. Of special interest is an individual with an international focus and understanding of collaboration with partner institutions on a global scale. The Provost is one of the key academic and administrative officers as the University continues to expand its leadership role in higher education, especially through the use of advanced communications and digital teaching technology and the development of innovative academic programs at the undergraduate and graduate levels.

RESPONSIBILITIES

The Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs reports to the President and has university-wide duties and responsibilities. Responsibilities include:

- Achieving key objectives of the University, including the quality and growth of the faculty and academic support and the effective management of personnel
- Developing and administering complex budgets
- Advocating effectively for the colleges and schools, faculty, and academic programs and initiatives
- Promoting sponsored research and scholarly activities that support the University's commitment to being an outstanding teaching institution
- Leading the development of international programs and experiences that are accessible to all students
- Guiding academic innovation in the curricula that blend



liberal arts and professional preparation at all levels

- Overseeing the creation of accelerated and expanded undergraduate and graduate programs
- Leveraging opportunities offered in innovative teaching and learning technology that can drive enrollment growth
- Overseeing the exploration and development of marketdriven doctorates and cutting-edge graduate programs
- Assisting in developing faculty enrichment programs
- Serving as, or supervising, the accreditation liaison with the

MISSION STATEMENT

Brenau University challenges students to live extraordinary lives of personal and professional fulfillment. As students pursue undergraduate and graduate degrees or non-degree programs at Brenau campuses and online, each prepares for a lifetime of intellectual accomplishment and appreciation of artistic expression through a curriculum enriched by the liberal arts, scientific inquiry and global awareness.



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- Cooperating with the External Relations staff on major gifts that support the academic programs and facilities of the University
- Developing with each Dean annual goals and objectives and then evaluating the effectiveness of their attainment

QUALITIES & REQUIREMENTS

An earned doctorate or equivalent from a regionally accredited university and at least 10 years of progressive experience in higher education or equivalent position are required. Experience must include academic administration, development of innovative programs and/or curriculum, and knowledge of assessment and accreditation.

First and foremost, the Provost must possess the ability to inspire and lead the faculty to increasingly higher levels of international academic recognition and achievement. She or he must have a deep respect for Liberal Learning and the desire to intercalate it with professional and graduate programs.

Additionally, candidates seeking this opportunity should have:

- Significant academic, administrative and faculty experience, or a combination of academic and other experience that is equivalent, a demonstrable knowledge of global higher education, and experience in adult and online degree programs
- A leadership style that inspires cooperation, innovation, creativity and respect among faculty
- Superior communication skills, both oral and written, especially in articulating the vision for the University
- The ability to advocate effectively for faculty and academic programs
- A record of scholarly work and a commitment to foster faculty-engaged research that allows for professional and

personal growth and keeps programs refreshed and relevant

- Significant experience handling a complex budget and personnel matters
- Working knowledge and understanding of curriculum development, with a commitment to scholarship and research
- Personal and professional integrity and credibility

ABOUT THE UNIVERSITY

A private, coeducational institution of undergraduate and graduate studies, Brenau University provides its growing student body (today approximately 2,800 students, including about 1,000 graduate students) with dynamic academic programs through multiple learning platforms. Founded in 1878 as a school primarily for the education of women, the University in the late 1970s responded to the needs of an adult student population and began offering evening and weekend courses open to men and women on the Gainesville campus and subsequently at four regional campuses in North Atlanta, South Atlanta, Augusta and Kings Bay, Georgia.

The University's thriving Women's College (approximately 900 students) is located on the historic Gainesville campus and offers excellent, Liberal Arts-based baccalaureate programs, some of which feed into graduate programs. The multi-discipline liberal arts foundation enables students to explore general interests as well as pursue specialized studies. Students have opportunities to develop leadership skills and are encouraged to participate in study aboard programs and an honors program.

The University's coeducational Undergraduate School and Graduate School offer programs through day, evening and weekend classes in Gainesville and four regional campuses as well as online. Providing students with curricula that blend liberal arts and professional preparedness, the Women's College and Undergraduate School provide 41 majors and 18 minors leading to associate and baccalaureate degrees.



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The Graduate School has masters-level programs in business, education, nursing, gerontology, occupational therapy, health care administration, psychology and interior design. Also available are the education specialist degree, a terminal interior design M.F.A. degree and five graduate certificate programs. The University has submitted application for its first Doctoral degree program with several others currently in development.

Four colleges serve the schools: College of Business and Mass Communication, College of Education, College of Fine Arts and Humanities, and College of Health and Science. The 121 full-time or permanent faculty and over 300 part-time faculty members are scholars and leaders in their fields and practice a student-centered approach, serving both as mentors and educators.

Brenau's historic main 56-acre, wooded campus is two blocks from the center of Gainesville, Georgia, in the city's historic residential district. The campus includes 15 academic buildings, nine residence halls, eight sorority houses, an amphitheater, fitness center, tennis complex, and performing arts center.

The Women's College fields intercollegiate teams in basketball, softball, tennis, swimming, soccer, volleyball and cross-country. Golden Tigers are extremely competitive, not only in the Southern States Athletic Conference, but also nationally in the National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics, of which Brenau is a member.

ABOUT GAINESVILLE, GEORGIA

Nestled in the foothills of the Blue Ridge Mountains in Georgia,

Gainesville is located an hour north of Atlanta and is the primary industrial, agricultural, medical and educational center for the northeast section of the state. The greater Gainesville-Hall County area has a population of approximately 175,000 and offers a wide range of entertainment, business, cultural, and recreational opportunities. Gainesville was designated a City of Excellence by the Georgia Municipal Association for its family-friendly community and its outstanding quality of life.

In addition to local attractions, the Atlanta metropolitan area offers many amenities within an hour's drive by interstate. Lake Lanier, Georgia's largest lake, borders Gainesville and provides a wealth of recreational enjoyment. The nearby Great Smoky Mountains provide year-round recreational possibilities.

Brenau University is an equal opportunity employer.

REFERRALS AND APPLICATIONS

Letters of interest, referrals and letters of application, including a cover letter and resume, should be emailed to:

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Confidential inquiries are welcomed. Myers McRae is assisting Brenau with this search. The Myers McRae Consultant is

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