

# National Executive Search Announcement



*INVITES APPLICATIONS AND NOMINATIONS FOR*

## Dean of Arts and Sciences

**Edison State College**, a unit of the Florida College System, seeks an accomplished academic administrator to serve as **Dean of the School of Arts and Sciences**. The Dean provides strategic vision, leadership, and direction for the School of Arts and Sciences. The review of applications begins immediately.

The Dean of the School of Arts and Science holds a highly responsible administrative-level position that oversees and administers the School and its respective academic programs college-wide. The Dean provides leadership and strategic direction to promote continuous improvement and programmatic growth consistent with the mission of the college.

In directing the School of Arts and Sciences, the Dean:

- Provides leadership and direction to associate deans, directors, coordinators, faculty, and staff in the development and delivery of instruction
- Promotes a culture that results in effective communication and the open exchange of ideas among faculty, staff, and administration
- Provides opportunities for faculty participation in decision-making in accordance with the college's shared-governance model
- Collaborates with appropriate college administrators to develop, evaluate, and deliver college credit courses effectively and efficiently
- college-wide to students, utilizing all educational delivery methods
- Is responsible for ensuring the systematic completion of program reviews, monitors trends in education, and recommends programmatic enhancements and/or deletions to maintain a student-centered learning environment
- Works with campus presidents and others to determine local workforce trends and employer needs
- Oversees the development and execution of state approved articulation agreements with educational and industrial stakeholders
- Monitors consistent and timely program updates to reflect



consistency with state curriculum frameworks and regulations

- Ensures the accuracy of programmatic information in the class schedule, college catalog, website, and promotional materials

### QUALIFICATIONS

The successful candidate will be a proven leader and academic innovator capable of enriching the profile of the School of Arts and Sciences and the College. A terminal degree earned from a regionally accredited institution of higher education in a discipline appropriate to the School is required.

Additionally, the qualified candidate must have the appropriate combination of education, training, and experience that includes, but is not limited to, knowledge and experience in program and curriculum development, program review and enhancement, continuous quality improvement processes, budget management, previous teaching experience in higher education, and a knowledge of the accreditation process for the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools (SACS).

The Dean will be an excellent communicator with a demonstrated







passion for academia and the ability to cultivate a collaborative atmosphere within a large, vibrant division within the College. This academic and administrative leader will have utmost integrity, strategic vision, a thoughtful and deliberative approach, and a strong commitment to high academic standards and to the enhancement of teaching and learning.

Other requirements include:

- Successful experience in developing academic curricula and student-centered, outcome-focused programs in arts and sciences
- Demonstrated record of responsible higher education administrative experience, preferably in a community or state college
- Full-time teaching experience in higher education
- Personal and educational philosophy compatible with the mission, goals and objectives of Edison State College

### THE SCHOOL OF ARTS AND SCIENCES

The School of Arts and Sciences at Edison State College offers a full array of both traditional and innovative courses. The School serves the mission

of the College by way of a central role in providing the instruction and experiences that define a liberal arts education through a community of faculty, students, and staff who teach, learn, and mutually support one another in the achievement of their educational goals.

### EDISON STATE COLLEGE

Established in 1962, Edison State College is the 13th largest community college in the Florida College System. The mission of Edison State College is to inspire learning; prepare a diverse population for creative and responsible participation in a global society; and serve as a leader for intellectual, economic, and cultural awareness in the community.

Edison State is the most accessible and most affordable institution of higher education in Southwest Florida. Edison delivers academic programs ranging from collegiate charter high schools through bachelor's degrees.

Edison's 25,000 students may pursue one of more than 18 associate degrees and 10 bachelor's degrees on the College's Lee Campus in Fort Myers, Collier Campus in Naples, Charlotte Campus in Punta Gorda, and the Hendry Glades Center in LaBelle. Edison also offers courses through Edison Online. Each of the campuses is uniquely positioned to address the needs of its community and the individual counties.





In Fall 2012, Edison became a residential college with the opening of student housing on the Lee Campus.

Edison State College is governed by its Board of Trustees composed of nine representatives from Charlotte, Collier, Hendry, Glades, and Lee counties. The members are appointed to four-year terms by the Governor of Florida.

#### **FORT MYERS, FLORIDA**

Fort Myers is located in Southwest Florida, alongside the inviting waters of the Gulf of Mexico. Year-round balmy temperatures add to the charm of an area that provides an array of activities indoors, outdoors, on water, and on land.

The Barbara B. Mann Performing Arts Hall on the College's Fort Myers Campus and The Philharmonic Center for the Arts in the Naples area offer a multitude of cultural activities. Also available is world-class dining and shopping and state-of-the-art medical care and resources.

Residents enjoy a variety of sporting events, including major league baseball spring training, minor league baseball and hockey teams, arena football and numerous community leagues. There are also plenty of championship golf courses, in addition to activities ranging from tennis, fishing, kayaking and

canoeing to boating, biking and hiking.

Southwest Florida is home to numerous historical landmarks, parades, theatrical shows, and festivals. An international airport and several regional airports serve the area.

#### **APPLICATIONS & NOMINATIONS**

Send nominations, inquiries, and letters of application (cover letter, curriculum vitae, and five references with full contact information) to:

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**Application deadline is January 18, 2013.**

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