



Invites Applications and Nominations for

Dean of the School of Teacher Education

Savannah State University, a unit of the University System of Georgia, seeks an experienced academic administrator to serve as **Dean of the School of Teacher Education**, which includes the STEM-focused teacher education programs. Nominations and applications are now being accepted.

Savannah, Georgia

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The Opportunity

Reporting to the Provost and Vice President of Academic Affairs, the Dean serves as the chief academic officer in the School of Teacher Education (SOTE) and is responsible for providing strategic direction and administrative oversight.

The Dean of the School of Teacher Education provides leadership for the unit and works collaboratively with deans of the other units to ensure continuity with university-wide initiatives and to develop community partners.

In addition to articulating the vision for the school, the Dean oversees its resource allocation and management, including fiscal/budgetary issues and workload, the delivery of instructional programs, scholarly activity and service, advancement and fundraising, and recruitment of students.

In this leadership role, the Dean:

- Prepares annual budget requests and annual report
- Represents the school to the university community and external constituencies
- Oversees and ensures continuation of national and state accreditations for programs within the school
- Maintains the highest quality in associated programs through student outcomes assessment
- Leads in the establishment of partnerships with local, regional, state, and national partners in education (especially STEM education)
- Supervises, develops, and directs faculty and staff, including participating in their recruitment, hiring, and performance planning and review
- Conducts periodic program reviews
- Participates in school-level promotion and tenure decisions
- Provides leadership, support, and encouragement for diversity among faculty, students, staff, curriculum, and programs
- Provides direction for innovative and integrated curriculum development
- Develops new academic initiatives
- Provides leadership in outreach efforts
- Seeks opportunities to communicate the mission, goals, and availability of the school throughout the region
- Forms partnerships and alliances that are mutually beneficial
- Develops the School's capacity to respond quickly and effectively to opportunities that provide visibility, prestige, and financial rewards

- Serves on university committees and performs related duties as required

Requirements

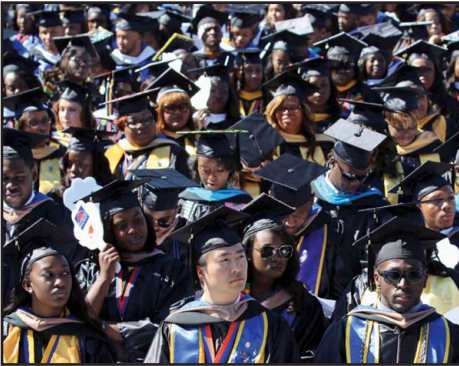
A terminal degree or equivalent from an accredited institution in education is required. The position carries faculty status, so the successful candidate must possess credentials equivalent to that of full professor.

Candidates must have ten years of higher education teaching experience with five years of higher education administration experience preferred and a minimum of three years of K-12 teaching experience preferred. Additionally, experience in development of public/private partnerships is preferred.

Other qualifications include:

- Demonstrated commitment to diversity/multiculturalism
- Experience with whole person education, and alignment with the values of the educational philosophy of SSU
- Demonstrated commitment to academic excellence and enhancement of faculty role
- Scholarly or professional competence with a record of publication and/or equivalent activity
- Demonstrated ability to successfully build and maintain networks and relationships with communities, schools, professional groups, and other external agencies
- Demonstrated ability to provide direction and support for developing and refining new academic initiatives
- Well-developed collaborative, organizational, management, and interpersonal skills
- Expertise in state and national accreditation for education programs, especially Council for the Accreditation of Educator Preparation (CAEP) and/or Georgia Assessments for the Certification of Educators (GACE)

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- Experience with extramural funding opportunities and management of grants from pre-award to post-award implementation

School of Teacher Education

Savannah State's School of Teacher Education (SOTE) began accepting students in Fall 2013. The School equips graduates with the knowledge, skills and dispositions necessary to serve the diverse educational needs of students in grades P-12 in STEM (science, technology, engineering and mathematics) subjects.

The SOTE offers a Bachelor of Science in Education (BSED) degree in the areas of biology education, mathematics education and engineering and technology education. During the creation of the program, SOTE faculty met with local and regional school systems to identify the areas of greatest need and the most up-to-date required skills for teacher preparation in STEM areas.

A SOTE curriculum, which is offered in collaboration with the College of Sciences and Technology, emphasizes efficient and successful teaching practices, policies and procedures based on state and national standards to enhance efficiency of academic achievement of all P-12 students. Bachelor of Science degrees with secondary teacher education certification tracks are available in biology, mathematics, civil engineering

technology and electronics engineering technology.

The School is housed in Morgan Hall, a beautifully restored building that was originally constructed in 1936. The renovated structure features classrooms, computer labs and offices. Students also take content courses in SSU's state-of-the-art science facilities, which include high-tech and well-equipped teaching and research labs in other campus buildings.

The School of Teacher Education is an approved Education Preparation Program by the Georgia Professional Standards Commission.

Savannah State University

Founded in 1890, Savannah State University holds the distinction as the oldest public historically black university in Georgia. While meeting the educational needs of an increasingly diverse student population today, Savannah State serves the community and region with distinction. The University provides a comprehensive higher education experience that adds value to the academic, personal, social, and cultural growth of its students.

The University's mission and

educational goals are realized through comprehensive program offerings in the College of Business Administration, the College of Liberal Arts and Social Sciences, the College of Sciences and Technology, and the School of Teacher Education that lead to 30 baccalaureate majors and degrees and six graduate degrees. The University has several new programs in the high-need professional fields, such as the STEM disciplines (sciences, technology, engineering, and mathematics).

The University aggressively seeks funds from federal sources, including NIH and NSF research and program development grants. Presently, the university has approximately \$43.7 million approved external funding for multiple years (2015-2020). These grants support curriculum enhancement, faculty and student research, student scholarships, presentations at conferences and other scholarly activity.

Each year more than 173 students receive approximately \$836,000 in grant-funded scholarships to conduct research at SSU and national and international research laboratories.

Savannah State's 4,900 students are provided a supportive yet challenging learning environment with opportunities



Morgan Hall houses the School of Teacher Education on the Savannah State campus.

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to establish close student-faculty relationships and relevant social/professional networks. In addition to its academic support programs and extracurricular activities, the University has exhibits, performances, sport teams, concerts, and community volunteer service projects geared to improving relationships with neighborhoods in the greater Savannah area.

Savannah State is a member of the NCAA Division I AA and competes in the Mid-Eastern Athletic Conference. The University fields teams in Men's football, basketball, baseball, cross country, indoor/outdoor track and field, and golf, and in Women's basketball, softball, tennis, cross country, indoor/outdoor track and field, volleyball, and golf.

The University is located on a beautiful 201-acre tract adjacent to a salt-marsh estuary. The campus is approximately five miles from the Historic District of Savannah, which is one of the largest registered urban National Historic Landmark districts in the United States, and 20 minutes from the beaches of Tybee Island.

Resplendent with moss-laden oak trees, expansive marsh, and historic architecture, Savannah State has been deemed the most picturesque campus in the state of Georgia. Yet, it is a vibrant, nurturing environment that celebrates its African-American heritage and legacy while embracing a diverse community of faculty and student scholars and learners.

Savannah, Georgia

Savannah State University is located in Savannah, Georgia, a historic city with a revered past, a vibrant present, and an exciting future. With nearly 300,000 area residents, the city has maintained steady growth, with the economy based mainly on ports, manufacturing, tourism, and the military. The city offers a high quality of life and a family-friendly lifestyle.



The University System of Georgia

The University System of Georgia is governed by a 19-member Board of Regents. The Board oversees the 30

colleges and universities that comprise the University System of Georgia, as well as the Georgia Archives, and The Georgia Public Library System. For more information, visit www.usg.edu.

Savannah State University is an affirmative action, equal opportunity employer.

Applications & Nominations

Confidential inquiries are welcomed; nominations are invited.

1. Application packet must include:

- A letter of interest
- Current curriculum vitae
- At least five references with full contact information (references will not be contacted without consent from applicants)
- Your answers to the required questions at:
www.myersmcrac.com/skins/userfiles/file/MMQuestions.pdf

2. Submit application packet to: SSU-Dean@myersmcrac.com

Nominations should include the name, e-mail, and phone number of the individual being nominated. Submit nominations to the above e-mail.

For best consideration, submit materials by **May 2, 2016**. Search remains open until filled.

Emily Parker Myers, Chief Executive Officer; **Alan G. Medders**, President; and **Bobby Pope**, Vice President, of **Myers McRae Executive Search and Consulting** are assisting Savannah State University with this search.



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