Executive Search

Application deadline: September 15, 2013

President Joseph L. Castleberry invites applications and nominations in a national search for the next Senior Vice President for Advancement at Northwest University (SVPA).

Northwest University is a comprehensive Christian university affiliated with the Assemblies of God. With its primary campus on the picturesque wooded hills overlooking Lake Washington, the university is located only ten miles from downtown Seattle. Enrolling 1,612 students in approximately 50 undergraduate and 12 graduate programs, the University has a growing online presence in addition to offerings on campuses in Kirkland, WA; Salem, OR, Sacramento, CA and other extension sites.

The Opportunity

Northwest University seeks a strategic thinker and proven leader committed to helping the university achieve ambitious goals for growth in enrollment, fundraising, and brand recognition. Since 2001, we have added ten master’s degree programs, and the total number of undergraduate programs has grown to over 50. The first doctoral program (Doctor of Psychology) began in 2009. Since adopting university status in 2005, Northwest has grown from 1,180 to 1,612. The university is poised for significant further growth through online course offerings, expecting over 1,900 students in the fall of 2013. The SVPA will provide significant leadership in building a fundraising force to match our academic advance and campus development goals, a stronger brand that makes our expanded capacity widely known to our community, and a steady stream of new students for both traditional and non-traditional academic programs. A full opportunity profile is available at http://www.northwestu.edu/jobs/.

Qualifications

- Qualified candidates must have a bachelor’s degree (master’s or doctorate preferred). Extensive higher education and administrative experience is required. The successful candidate is or is willing to become a member of an Assemblies of God congregation.

The SVPA will also have:

- 7-10 years experience in a corporation or business, large non-profit organization, or higher education institution.
- In-depth experience in enrollment, marketing, fundraising, and management.
• Proven communication skills and a history of collegiality and effective relationships with colleagues.
• Significant budget management experience.
• Significant experience managing revenue (Profit/Loss).
• Significant experience holding employees accountable to numerical goals.
• Significant quantitative and econometric skill and experience.

Northwest University

Founded in 1934 in Seattle as Northwest Bible Institute, the University has grown into the comprehensive educational institution its founding charter envisioned. Regionally accredited with the Northwest Commission on Colleges and Universities, the university also enjoys membership in the Council for Christian Colleges and Universities. The student population (fall 2012) included 948 traditional students at the Kirkland Campus and 664 students in graduate, adult, online, and extension programs. Organized in seven colleges and schools, the university’s largest programs are in ministry, business, nursing, communication, and education.

Northwest University is an Affirmative Action/Equal Employment and Educational Opportunity Institution.

Application Process

Candidate applications and nominations for the position of Senior Vice President for Advancement are now being accepted. To apply, submit a cover letter addressing how your experiences match the position requirements, a curriculum vitae, and complete contact information for at least four references to:

Victoria Clark at victoria.clark@northwestu.edu

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All inquiries are confidential.