IOWA STATE UNIVERSITY

Endowed Dean, College of Agriculture and Life Sciences
Director, Iowa Agricultural and Home Economics Experiment Station

Iowa State University, one of the nation’s leading land-grant institutions, seeks nominations and applications for the position of Dean of the College of Agriculture and Life Sciences and Director of the Iowa Agricultural and Home Economics Experiment Station. Iowa State seeks a proven leader and innovator who can build upon this premier College’s strengths in plant and animal sciences, food and human nutrition, sustainable agriculture, agricultural and biosystems engineering, life sciences, and natural resources management in Iowa and throughout the world. Given these strengths, the Dean should effectively promote and champion the College to internal and external stakeholders, exhibit a passion for the convergent disciplines that fuel the success of the College, and have a clear, strategic vision for further advancing the research, teaching, and extension activities of the College. For more information about the College, visit www.cals.iastate.edu.

The College of Agriculture and Life Sciences has one of the most cited research programs in the world and is comprised of 15 academic departments and 26 centers and institutes. Reporting to the university’s Senior Vice President and Provost, the Dean will provide forward-looking planning for the education of approximately 4,600 undergraduates and 730 graduate students. The College has a budget for teaching, research, and extension that exceeds $102 million.

Iowa State University, a member of the Association of American Universities, enrolls over 36,000 students from all 50 states and 110 countries. ISU is located in the nation’s heartland in the college town of Ames – an exceptional community of 65,000 that has been ranked as one of the 10 most livable small cities in the nation – and its campus has been recognized as one of the nation’s most beautiful. For more information about Iowa State, visit www.iastate.edu.

The selected candidate must possess an earned doctoral degree and have a distinguished record that qualifies the candidate for tenure at the rank of full professor in one of the College’s departments; must have a vibrant vision for the teaching, research and outreach missions of a premier land-grant university; must possess excellent verbal and written communication skills, including effective skills in working with individuals and stakeholder groups locally, nationally, and internationally, including an appreciation of the role of commodity groups; must have leadership experience in a complex academic, governmental, or business organization and an ability to build and sustain internal and external collaborations; and must have a demonstrated commitment to achieving and sustaining diversity and promoting an inclusive environment. Preferred qualifications include extensive experience in private fund raising and securing philanthropic gifts to support student scholarships, academic programs, facilities, and research.

See http://provost.iastate.edu/administrator-resources/recruitment/searches for additional information about the search.
The Search Committee invites nominations, applications (a letter of interest, comprehensive curriculum vitae, and the names and contact information of five or more references) or expressions of interest to be submitted to the search firm assisting Iowa State University. Applications will be accepted until the position is filled. However, to receive full consideration, it is preferred that applications be submitted by July 13, 2018.

Nominations and applications may be sent in confidence to the University’s executive search firm:

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