The Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia and the Presidential Search and Screen Committee invite letters of nomination and applications for the position of President of Georgia Southern University (GSU).

Georgia Southern University is the state’s largest and most comprehensive center of higher education south of Atlanta. With 141 degree programs at the associate, bachelor’s, master’s and doctoral levels, Georgia Southern has been designated a Carnegie Doctoral/Research university and serves more than 27,000 students from all 50 states, Washington D.C. and Puerto Rico as well as 102 nations. With three vibrant campuses — the Statesboro Campus, the Armstrong Campus in Savannah and the Liberty Campus in Hinesville — Georgia Southern offers an attractive campus environment that encourages learning, discovery and personal growth. Georgia Southern’s nationally accredited academic programs prepare diverse scholars for leadership and service as world citizens. A unit of the University System of Georgia, the University boasts 200-plus student organizations, outstanding Division I athletics, on-site military resource centers for active military, veterans and their families and state-of-the-art residence halls and campus facilities.

The university seeks a charismatic, visionary president who will champion the institution’s mission and lead it forward to heightened recognition and visibility. The president must be able to grasp the demographic, societal, financial and political challenges facing geographically diverse communities of a multi-campus university structure and lead the university into the future while addressing those challenges. Doing so will require an expert communicator with strong change-management, financial, business and external affairs skills as well as a record of fundraising success and leading institutional growth in size, quality and academic rigor. Ensuring that Georgia Southern University celebrates genuine inclusion and student diversity, access, retention and success is critical. The president will be a tireless advocate and supporter of Georgia Southern University’s athletic programs.

The president will possess professional and scholarly experiences that will earn the respect of the academic community. An earned doctorate or other terminal degree is required as is a record of demonstrated and extensive leadership in higher education (or an environment of similar or greater complexity).

Most importantly, the president will have intelligence, compassion, courage, humor and unquestionable integrity and moral character and be an individual whom the institution and community can trust completely and without reservation.

Confidential inquiries, nominations and applications are invited. Review of applications will continue until the position is filled. For fullest consideration, application materials should be received by no later than Friday, November 9, 2018. Candidates should provide a resume or CV, letter of application that addresses the responsibilities and requirements of the presidency and the names and contact information of five references. References will not be contacted without prior knowledge and approval of candidates. These materials should be sent electronically via email to Georgia Southern University’s consultants Ann Yates and Melissa Fincher at GeorgiaSouthernPresident@wittkieffer.com.
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