

DEAN OF THE SIMMONS SCHOOL OF EDUCATION AND HUMAN DEVELOPMENT

Southern Methodist University invites inquiries, nominations, and applications for the position of Dean of the Simmons School of Education and Human Development.

SMU, a global research university with a liberal arts tradition, has seven degree-granting schools. The University's 11,000 students, 42 percent of whom are enrolled in graduate studies, benefit from small classes (11:1 student/faculty ratio). The University's profile benefits from an endowment of \$1.5 billion and a recently completed fundraising campaign, which raised a record \$1.15 billion to enrich faculty and academic excellence and the campus experience. From its origins, SMU was shaped by the entrepreneurial spirit of the region and is nonsectarian in its teaching and committed to academic freedom and open inquiry.

Founded in 2005 and named in 2007 in recognition of a landmark gift from Harold C. and Annette Caldwell Simmons of Dallas, the Simmons School has 900 undergraduate and graduate students in five academic departments including Counseling and Dispute Resolution, Teaching and Learning, Education Policy and Leadership, Applied Physiology and Sport Management, and Graduate Liberal Studies. The Simmons School has an operating budget of \$24 M; 167 employees; four new doctoral programs; three new endowed chairs and one endowed professorship; \$10 M annually in research funding; \$18 M in endowment; and two new state-of-the-art buildings constructed with \$45 M raised for capital projects. The School promotes excellence by engaging in and disseminating research, preparing exemplary professionals in education and human development, collaborating with other schools and institutions in the development of model programs, and furthering positive learning experiences in all stages of life.

The University seeks an eminent and effective academic leader with a distinguished record of scholarly research and administrative experience with a strong commitment to excellence in the School's research, education, and professional programs. Further information about SMU, the Simmons School, and the Dean Search Process, including a list of desired leadership attributes and application instructions, is available from the complete ad at: http://academic-search.com/sites/default/files/SMUSimmonsAd.pdf and from the position and institutional profile at: http://academic-search.com/sites/default/files/SMUSimmonsProfile.pdf.

Nominations, applications, and inquiries may be sent in confidence. Full consideration will be given to all applications received by January 2, 2017. Application materials (to include a letter of interest, curriculum vitae, and the full contact information for five references – who will not be contacted without permission) must be electronically submitted to:

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