

**Eastern Illinois University**  
**Vice President for University Advancement**  
**Position Announcement**

**Eastern Illinois University** seeks applications and nominations for the position of Vice President for University Advancement (VPUA). The VPUA reports to the President, serves on the President's Council and has leadership, and coordinates administrative and budgetary responsibilities for an integrated internal and external university advancement program. The portfolio includes: fundraising; development; alumni relations; and Board of Trustees relations. The VPUA also is responsible for the supervision, coordination and administration of the Office of University Advancement and works collaboratively with the Board of Trustees, Foundation Board, and Alumni Association Board.

**Qualifications:** Qualified applicants must hold a Baccalaureate degree (Master's degree preferred) and

- experience in a higher education setting with demonstrated success in leading and managing fundraising activities including campaigns or strategic initiatives;
- demonstrated leadership ability to deal effectively and collaboratively with a diverse and broad range of constituencies both on and off campus and the skills necessary to lead a dynamic university division;
- outstanding oral and written communication skills;
- commitment to fostering diversity and inclusive excellence among faculty, staff, and across the entire campus community;
- commitment and capacity to build, as well as sustain, relationships across diverse stakeholder groups;
- capacity to lead and represent the University as the Chief Development Officer; and
- demonstrated ability to convert opportunities into results that advance EIU's mission.

For a complete position description and information on Eastern Illinois University, please visit:  
<http://www.eiu.edu/vpuasearch/>

**Start Date:** January 1, 2024 or as negotiated

**Application Process:** Review of applications begins immediately and continues until the position is filled. A complete application includes a letter of application, specifically addressing the applicant's strengths and experience relative to the qualifications and responsibilities of the position; a current resume; and the names and contact information of five professional references including a current or former supervisor who is familiar with university advancement activities.

Applications materials should be addressed to Mr. Matt Bierman, Chair, EIU-VPUA Search Committee and uploaded to the Interfolio link at <http://apply.interfolio.com/129152>. For questions regarding the search, please contact the Search Committee Chair at [mjbierman@eiu.edu](mailto:mjbierman@eiu.edu).

**Diversity and Inclusion:** Eastern Illinois University is committed to fostering a learning community where all members feel welcomed and valued. The university provides equality of opportunity in all areas of campus life and we strive to recognize and appreciate the unique value of our students, faculty, and staff. Every member of campus has the right to learn and work in an environment free of discrimination and harassment, and beyond that, our goal is for all members of our community to develop a strong sense of belonging to Eastern Illinois University.

**The University and Community:** EIU's attractive 320-acre campus is big enough to offer quality programs, yet small enough to offer personal attention. Founded in 1895, Eastern Illinois University (EIU) has seven (7) colleges and schools offering more than 90 academic programs in the form of bachelor's, master's and specialist's degrees.

Eastern Illinois University takes pride in creating a warm, welcome environment for all faculty, staff and students. EIU boasts a rich, tradition of preparing students for their personal and professional goals. A traditional regional residential institution, EIU offers a superior education at a relatively low cost while consistently earning high rankings and distinctions for its affordability, academic program quality, career placement rates, campus safety, online degree options, student support, and sustainability initiatives. EIU focuses on individualized attention and superior student relationships and has earned recognition as the highest- ranking independent public regional university in Illinois and a place among the Midwest's top public regional universities according to *U.S. News and World Report*. Eastern offers faculty a wide range of research and public service activities. EIU hosts more than 175 student organizations on campus, and offers a variety of cultural events, NCAA Division I athletics, and active research opportunities for its students to enjoy and to thrive. EIU has become recognized for providing the resources of a large institution while creating the kinds of individual relationships that support student and alumni success.

The University is located in East Central Illinois, combines the benefits of a community of 20,000 with access to several large cities, including Chicago, St. Louis, and Indianapolis.

*Eastern Illinois University is an Affirmative Action/Equal Opportunity Employer - minority/female/disability/veteran - committed to achieving a diverse community.*