San Diego State University seeks a dynamic, visionary, and community-minded academic leader to serve as the Thomas and Evelyn Page Dean of the Fowler College of Business

Since its founding in 1897, San Diego State University has grown to become a leading public research university and a federally designated Hispanic-serving Institution. Each year, SDSU provides more than 35,000 students with the opportunity to participate in an academic curriculum distinguished by direct contact with faculty and an international emphasis that prepares them for a global future. Ranked 67 among public universities in U.S. News & World Report’s ranking for 2022 Best Colleges, San Diego State University resides on Kumeyaay land near the national border, offering bachelor’s degrees in 97 areas, master’s degrees in 84 areas and doctorates in 23 areas. In fiscal year 2019-20, SDSU faculty secured $144.4 million in research grant funding and university gift commitments totaling more than $127 million.

Ranked by U.S. News & World Report as a Top 50 national Undergraduate Public Business Program for 2022, the Fowler College of Business is composed of the Charles W. Lamden School of Accountancy and the departments of Finance, Management, Management Information Systems and Marketing. The college and its Charles W. Lamden School of Accountancy are both accredited by the Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business (AACSB). The college currently educates 7,359 undergraduate students including students within its nationally-ranked programs in international business (No. 5 public) and entrepreneurship (No. 14 public) and a growing online degree completion program in general business. It also has 412 students enrolled in its graduate programs leading to the MBA, Sports MBA and MS in Accountancy, Management Information Systems, Cybersecurity Management, Global Business Development and MSBA with a concentration in Financial and Tax Planning. The Fowler College of Business prides itself on having a dedicated staff, world-renowned scholars and committed educators who are all focused on student success and the development of ethical global business leaders and entrepreneurs.

Reporting to the Provost, the Thomas and Evelyn Page Dean of the Fowler College of Business is the chief administrative officer of the college charged with aligning its vision with the strategic direction of the university and supporting a positive, equitable and inclusive environment for faculty, staff, and students. The dean’s responsibilities include representing the college and forging strong relationships with internal university constituents and the business community as well as overseeing the college budget while advocating for and generating additional external resources. The next dean will also help facilitate growth in research, scholarship and grant funding. The dean is a member of the SDSU Academic Deans’ Council and works closely with the Fowler College of Business’ Board of Advisors, which is composed of renowned business leaders who help guide and support the college and the dean’s priority initiatives.

For nominations & inquiries: SDSUBusinessDean@wittkieffer.com
Thomas and Evelyn Page Dean Search

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The successful candidate will have earned a doctoral degree and have a record of accomplishments suitable for a tenured professor in a department within the Fowler College of Business. The ideal candidate will have a record of success as an academic and administrative leader with supervisory experience at the department, college, research center, foundation, or university level. The candidate will provide evidence of success in advancing diversity, equity and inclusion and working effectively in a multicultural campus and community setting. The candidate will also be an effective communicator and consensus builder, with the capacity to promote collegiality among faculty, staff, students and the community in service to advancing the university’s mission.

All applications, nominations and inquiries are invited. Applications should include, as separate documents, a CV or resume and a letter of interest addressing the themes in this profile.

WittKieffer is assisting San Diego State University in this search. For fullest consideration, candidate materials should be received by January 28, 2022. Application materials should be submitted using WittKieffer’s candidate portal.

Nominations and inquiries can be directed to:
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After a contingent offer of employment is made, a background check (including a criminal records check) must be completed. Any offer of employment is contingent upon successful completion of the background check. Failure to satisfactorily complete the background check may affect the application status of the applicant or continued employment of current CSU employees who apply for this position.

The person holding this position is considered a mandated reporter under the California Child Abuse and Neglect Reporting Act and is required to comply with the requirements set forth in CSU Executive Order 1083 as a condition of employment.

SDSU COVID-19 Vaccine Policy: In accordance with the California State University systemwide policy, students, faculty, and staff must be fully vaccinated against COVID-19 or provide a valid medical or religious exemption in order to access campus. An individual is considered fully vaccinated two weeks after their second dose of a two-shot vaccine or two weeks after the first dose of a single-shot vaccine.

The individual hired into this role will be required to submit their completed vaccination documentation to the university’s secure online health portal prior to beginning work. Individuals with an approved medical or religious exemption on file with the university will be required to participate in SDSU’s COVID-19 testing program.