Binghamton University, one of four research universities in the State University of New York System, invites nominations and expressions of interest for the position of Dean, Harpur College of Arts and Sciences. The University is seeking a creative, inspiring, collaborative, and experienced leader with a record of scholarly accomplishment who can work with a dynamic president and provost toward a shared vision of becoming the premier public institution in the nation.

A vibrant public research university, which is consistently ranked among the top 40 public universities in the nation by U.S. News & World Report, Binghamton continues to improve the quality of both undergraduate and graduate education by seeking to vigorously support the scholarly, creative and research endeavors of its faculty.

Harpur College is the largest of seven academic units at Binghamton University, enrolling over 10,340 of the University’s 17,200 students. The College has 440 full-time and 165 part-time faculty and offers graduate and undergraduate degrees in fine and performing arts, humanities, sciences, mathematics, and social sciences. The new Dean will be tasked with leading the College’s role in the University’s strategic plan, strengthening graduate education and research, increasing graduate enrollment, integrating Harpur’s renowned liberal arts programs into a 21st-century education, increasing private giving, and strengthening the College’s academic profile.

The Dean of Harpur College is the College’s chief administrative and academic officer, and leads it in accordance with the University’s mission and goals. Among the Dean’s general responsibilities are to consult with faculty to develop curricula; provide leadership for assessing existing programs and developing new ones; administer the College’s budget; recruit faculty; take a leading role in other faculty personnel matters, including tenure, promotion, and renewal; help the College realize its commitment to diversity; strengthen the College’s profile in research and graduate education; promote interdisciplinary research and teaching; represent the College to external constituencies; and lead College development activities. Additionally, the Dean will be asked to clearly articulate a shared vision for the future of liberal arts and sciences education, informed by and responding to current debates in the academy and the larger society.

**QUALIFICATIONS:** Successful applicants must have credentials meriting appointment as a full professor in their discipline, including a distinguished record of teaching, scholarship, and academic leadership as well as an administrative record that demonstrates the following: a commitment to a liberal arts education; innovative and effective leadership in higher education; a collegial administrative style that promotes a sense of academic respect and collaboration with faculty, staff, and students; an ability to foster strong connections between internal and external constituencies; experience working within a diverse community of students, staff, and faculty in a complex university setting; and a record that evidences a strong commitment to diversity and success in enhancing it through the recruitment and retention of minority faculty and students. Candidates should have
significant experience in reconciling differing opinions and developing solutions within a shared governance model. The successful applicant will articulate an ambitious vision for the College and will have demonstrated experience with strategic planning, extra-mural funding, assessment, graduate education, and interdisciplinary approaches to research and education as well as a commitment to private fundraising. Candidates should respect a variety of approaches to scholarship and demonstrate ability and commitment in strengthening an environment that fosters and supports interdisciplinary research, scholarship, and teaching.

Review of application materials will begin immediately and will continue until the position is filled. Nominations, inquiries, and applications, including letter of interest and curriculum vitae, should be forwarded, in confidence, to:

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