

Dean of the School of Education

University of Michigan

The University of Michigan in Ann Arbor, the public flagship university of the state and one of the world's preeminent research institutions, is seeking a dean for its highly recognized School of Education. The core commitments of the School of Education are to advance educational knowledge; to improve educational practice and policy; and to enhance diversity, equity and inclusion in all aspects of education. Faculty members and students remain in the forefront of educational change through their research contributions, instructional activities, collaborative involvement with the education profession, and a broad array of service activities. School of Education faculty members strongly believe that the educational development of all people is critically important for the growth of a free, just and productive society.

The dean is the chief executive and academic officer of the school, collaborating with faculty in overseeing its academic programs and policies; stewarding the school's financial, capital and human resources; and playing a prominent role in fund raising and external relations. The dean reports to the provost and executive vice president for academic affairs. The highly decentralized structure of the university gives the dean significant autonomy and responsibility for establishing a strategic vision for the school and marshaling the resources to support that vision.

Candidates should be nationally recognized scholars whose active and distinguished professional records include administrative as well as leadership experience in education. The successful candidate will demonstrate a record of commitment to academic excellence and a keen fiscal management ability, as well as a commitment to positive action that supports the educational goals associated with a diverse student body, faculty, staff and curriculum. Candidates must be qualified for appointment as a tenured full professor at the University of Michigan.

Inquiries, nominations and applications are invited. The University is dedicated to the goal of building a culturally diverse and pluralistic university community committed to excellence in teaching and learning in a multicultural environment. Potential applicants who share this goal are encouraged to apply. Review of applications will continue until the position is filled.

For fullest consideration, applicant materials should be received by October 1, 2015. Candidates should provide a *curriculum vitae*, a letter of application that addresses the responsibilities and requirements described in the leadership profile available at www.wittkieffer.com, 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 the retained consultants, Robin Mamlet and Elizabeth Bohan of Witt/Kieffer, at email address UMSOE@wittkieffer.com. The consultants can be reached by telephone through the desk of Leslie Donahue at 630-575-6178.