

## **Dean, School of Education, Missouri Southern State University**

Missouri Southern State University invites applications for the Dean of the School of Education.

Missouri Southern State University (MSSU) is a four year liberal arts institution serving nearly 6,000 students. Expanding graduate and undergraduate programs provide faculty with rich opportunities for service and scholarship. Internationally-focused semesters and enriching cultural events in theater, art, music and film create an engaging learning environment for students and citizens of the region. MSSU is located in Joplin, MO, which is considered to be the Crossroads of America, and serves as the commercial hub for the four states area. Joplin is a resilient and vibrant city with a population of over 50,000 serving a metropolitan statistical area of 208,000. There is quick and easy access to Northwest Arkansas, Kansas City, and Tulsa, as well as numerous outdoor activities and attractions throughout the Ozarks.

The School of Education offers Bachelor degrees in Teacher Education, Psychology, and Kinesiology. In addition, the Teacher Education Department offers the following Master degrees: Curriculum and Instruction, Education Administration, and English Language Learning.

All programs at Missouri Southern State University are accredited by the Higher Learning Commission (HLC). Additionally, the Teacher Education program is accredited by The Council for the Accreditation of Educator Preparation (CAEP) and the Missouri Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (DESE).

As the chief academic and administrative officer of the School, the Dean is responsible for providing the vision and leadership required to fulfill the mission of the School and to achieve its strategic goals. The Dean should be an inspiring leader with an entrepreneurial spirit that fosters close relationships with the faculty, alumni, and community leaders. The Dean reports to the Provost and has responsibility for all administration and management of the School, its faculty, and its resources. Department chairs assist the Dean in the administration of the school.

The ideal candidate should have a proven record of academic and administrative accomplishment, excellence in leadership, experience with faculty evaluations, experience with DESE policies and procedures, and the ability to work collaboratively with a variety of constituencies within the School of Education, across the University, and in the community.

### **Required qualifications:**

- An earned doctorate
- Academic credentials and a record of scholarly achievement
- Administrative leadership experience
- Commitment to excellence in education

Salary will be commensurate with background and experience. Application materials will be reviewed upon receipt and will be accepted until the position is filled. The deadline for full consideration is December 15, 2017. Employment will require a background check. E-verify participating employer. Missouri Southern State University is an equal opportunity employer.

A confidential letter of application, philosophy of leadership, vitae, unofficial transcripts, and contact information for five references should be sent to: [www.mssu.edu/jobs](http://www.mssu.edu/jobs). Official transcripts will be required within 45 days of hire.