Purdue University Northwest (PNW) invites nominations and applications for an exceptional academic leader to serve as the Founding Director of the School of Education and Counseling. The Director will work with faculty, staff, and students to build a vision for the School, which has recently been restructured during the unification process at PNW. This is a special opportunity for an innovative thinker with experience in change management and partnership building.

Part of the internationally respected Purdue University system, PNW offers world-class educational opportunities at an excellent value on two culturally diverse, student-centered campuses located in Northwest Indiana and within easy driving distance of Chicago, Illinois. PNW is the fifth largest public university in Indiana, with more than 15,000 students, offering nearly 70 programs at the baccalaureate, master's, and doctoral levels. The institution is distinguished by opportunities for experiential learning, undergraduate research, and one-on-one relationships between students and faculty.

The School of Education and Counseling is part of the College of Humanities, Education, and Social Sciences (CHESS), the largest college at PNW, offering more than 30 degree programs in a broad array of disciplines. The programs have been graduating dedicated teachers, scholars, and counselors for more than 50 years, and their reputation is outstanding in the region. Many are also nationally recognized and accredited, for example, by the National Council for Accreditation of Teacher Education (NCATE moving toward CAEP) and the Council for Accreditation of Counseling and Related Programs (CACREP).

The Director oversees a budget of \$3.75 million. There are 496 undergraduate and 58 graduate students currently enrolled in the School. There are 20 full- and part-time faculty and 10 staff overall. Reporting to the Director will be the School's program coordinators, the Division Chair of Counseling & Professional Education, and an administrative assistant. The Director reports to the Dean of CHESS, serving as a part of the College's leadership team.

The Director will represent the School effectively at all levels of the University, and will lead the successful blending of two independent educational and counseling programs into a new entity. She or he will also provide the leadership necessary to achieve the School's learning, discovery, and engagement missions, and to advance PNW's broader strategic initiatives. The Director will have a significant and equitable physical presence on both PNW campuses.

The Director must be an educational leader, setting high but attainable standards for pedagogy and scholarship; fostering curricular integration, development, and innovation; and guiding faculty and departments in institutional and program accreditation and assessment.

For more specific information about the leadership agenda and search, please see the full search prospectus at <u>storbeckpimentel.com/resources/uploads/institution/PNWEDPD.pdf</u>. For more information about PNW, please see <u>www.pnw.edu</u>.

Nomination and Application Process

The Search Committee will begin reviewing applications immediately and continue to accept applications and nominations until the position is filled. For fullest consideration, materials should be filed by January 5, 2017. Requested application materials include a letter of interest; curriculum vitae; and the names, telephone numbers and e-mail addresses of five professional references. All application materials must be submitted electronically in Microsoft Word or PDF format to <u>PNWDirectorEducation@storbecksearch.com</u>.

Ms. Julie E. Tea, Partner and Ms. Julie Williams-Krishnan, Senior Associate at Storbeck/Pimentel & Associates, LP are assisting with this search. Nominators and prospective candidates are encouraged to contact them at <u>PNWDirectorEducation@storbecksearch.com</u> to arrange confidential conversations.

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