

PRESIDENT



The Olivet College Board of Trustees and the Presidential Search Committee invite nominations, applications, and expressions of interest for the position of president of the college. The president is the chief executive officer and will assume office at a date as agreed upon by the candidate and Board of Trustees.

Olivet College is an independent, liberal arts institution located in south central Michigan in the community of Olivet. The college was founded in 1844 by John J. Shipherd and is a coeducational institution related to the United Church of Christ and the National Association of Congregational Christian Churches. Olivet College continues to live its founding values of openness to all, commitment to the importance of higher education, and dedication to providing education especially to "those not rich in this world's means." The curriculum is distinctive and embodies the academic vision, "Education for Individual and Social Responsibility." The institution adheres to the Olivet College Compact, a set of principles which serves as a guide and inspiration for all members of the diverse college community.

The institution is a residential college with a significant commuter population which currently enrolls 1,126 students with 43 full-time and 48 adjunct faculty and a student to faculty ratio of 18 to 1. The campus has more than 50 acres with a location adjacent to Interstate 69 in south central Michigan. It is 30 miles south of Lansing and 125 miles west of Detroit. The college is a founding member of the Michigan Intercollegiate Athletic Association, and is a member of NCAA Division III with 18 varsity sports. Local Greek societies are an important part of student life along with numerous clubs, honor societies, and organizations. The college offers a distinctive program at the undergraduate and MBA level in insurance, as well as a Master of Arts in Teaching. It blends several other professional programs such as teacher education and criminal justice with an overall strong liberal arts offering.

The Search Committee seeks a committed and responsible leader who can guide the college in its commitment to providing a personalized education within a caring, responsible and open small college environment. Collegiality and integrity in decision making is expected on all levels of interaction with campus constituencies. Candidates with a doctorate or other terminal degree are preferred but others will be considered. Candidates should be skilled leaders with relevant experience in academics, business operations and fund raising.

Prospective candidates are encouraged to review the Presidential Search Profile which is posted on the college's Web site at www.olivetcollege.edu.

Applications should be submitted electronically to OlivetCollege@academic-search.com and be addressed to the Chair of the Search Committee, Mark P. Jensen. Although applications will be accepted until the time that a new president is named, candidates should plan to submit materials by August 13, 2010, and include a letter of interest that addresses the issues in the Profile Statement, a curriculum vitae, and five professional references with e-mail addresses and phone numbers (references will not be contacted without prior approval from the applicant).

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