



Dean of the College of Arts & Sciences

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The faculty, staff, students, and administration of Northern Kentucky University have taken the College of Arts & Sciences to a level of achievement unmatched in its forty-year history. The college is well poised to open a new chapter of extraordinary growth and development over the next decade. We now seek an exemplary individual, of rare leadership ability, who is capable of meeting this challenge. If you are an accomplished scholar, a passionate visionary, a practical builder, an effective manager, and a strong yet compassionate leader, we are interested in you.

The University: Located seven miles from downtown Cincinnati in an area offering an outstanding quality of life, NKU is a nationally recognized metropolitan university committed to active engagement with the Northern Kentucky/Greater Cincinnati region of nearly two million people. Our growing institution is built on core values that emphasize learner-centered education, scholarship, civic engagement, diversity and multiculturalism, and collegiality and collaboration. NKU is committed to recruiting and retaining faculty members whose talents span the breadth of academic life in teaching, research, and public engagement.

The College: The College of Arts & Sciences is the largest and most influential college on campus. It currently enrolls 4200 undergraduate and 200 graduate students in 13 departments. The College also houses innovative and nationally recognized centers, such as The Center for Integrative Natural Science and Mathematics and The Kentucky Center for Mathematics. The College provides 59 % of all credit hours taught at the University, including over 42 % of all honors credit hours and 89 % of the general education curriculum. More than 303 full-time faculty, 275 part-time faculty, and 40 staff members are employed in the College. The Dean oversees a budget of \$27M and is supported by 7 full-time staff members.

The Position: The Dean energetically advocates for the arts, humanities, and sciences within the University and among alumni, donors, and funding agencies. The Dean works effectively with fellow administrators and with the College's department chairs and directors, and reports directly to the Vice President for Academic affairs and Provost. Providing support for the recruitment, retention, and development of faculty, staff, and students is a key responsibility of the Dean.

Essential Qualifications

- Earned doctorate or terminal degree in one of the college's disciplines.
- Sustained record of teaching, scholarship/creative activity, and university and community service sufficient to warrant a tenured appointment at the professor level in a department within the college.
- Commitment to leadership across the full breadth of the university's mission in teaching, research, and public engagement.
- Commitment to the centrality of the liberal arts within the broader context of university education.
- Demonstrated ability to articulate a strategic vision and long-term goals for the college.
- Demonstrated support of scholarly and creative activity among faculty.
- Demonstrated support of undergraduate research and creative activity.
- Evidence of administrative and leadership effectiveness for at least four years at the level of department chair or higher, including budget management and external fund procurement.
- Record of collaborative leadership working across multiple disciplines.
- Demonstrated commitment to increasing diversity among students, faculty, and staff.
- Commitment to collegial governance.

Salary, Rank, and Benefits

- The academic appointment will be as a tenured professor.
- Salary and benefits are competitive and negotiable, commensurate with qualifications and experience.
- The twelve-month appointment begins July 1, 2010.

Application and Search Process

- Applicants must provide, in digital format only,
 1. A letter describing their vision for a metropolitan college of arts and sciences and their qualifications for the Dean's position.
 2. A detailed, current curriculum vita.
 3. The names, addresses, telephone numbers, and email addresses of five professional references. References will not be contacted until candidates have been notified.
- After initial review, candidates of interest to the committee will be asked to supply graduate transcripts, evidence of scholarship, and other supporting evidence that may be required.

Submissions must be e-mailed to: Provost@nku.edu

Review of applications will begin immediately and continue until December 15, 2009. For additional information, see the [College's Website](#) or contact either co-chair of the Arts & Sciences Dean Search Committee: [Dr. Douglas Perry](#), Dean, College of Informatics, or [Dr. Daniel Curtin](#), Director, Center for Integrative Natural Science and Mathematics.

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