



## **Provost and Executive Vice Chancellor University of California, Merced Merced, California**

The University of California, Merced, the newest campus in the world-renowned University of California System, seeks a new Provost and Executive Vice Chancellor (EVC). Founded in 2005, UC Merced is the first American research university to be built in the 21st century and the first new UC campus in 40 years. Reporting to the Chancellor, the new Provost & EVC will help lead this unique institution into an exciting new era as it continues to grow and distinguish itself within the UC System and among research universities globally.

UC Merced was conceived both to serve the needs of the rapidly growing Central Valley, one of the world's most productive agricultural regions, and to increase access to the UC system for all of California's top achievers. In its first six years, UC Merced has grown enrollment to nearly 5,200 students, including 260 graduate students, across three schools – the School of Engineering; School of Natural Sciences; and the School of Social Sciences, Humanities, and Arts; and has a total budget of over \$130 million. The campus is expected to grow to accommodate up to 25,000 students within three decades, while continuing to develop the campus across 815 acres. UC Merced is the most ethnically diverse campus in the UC System and has been designated as a Hispanic-Serving Institution by the U.S. Department of Education, enabling access to federal and private grants. 60% of the undergraduates are first generation college students.

### **Opportunities and Challenges for the next Provost & EVC**

- Recruit, retain, and develop an increasingly distinguished faculty
- Promote excellence through interdisciplinary and cross school investment
- Enhance UC Merced's research profile and capacity
- Further strengthen the UC Merced student experience
- Strengthen UC Merced's welcome to an increasingly diverse and inclusive community
- Serve as a passionate and articulate advocate and external ambassador

### **Experience and Qualifications**

UC Merced seeks in its new Provost & EVC an experienced and visionary academic administrator with the proven skills to lead the institution to become a magnet for high-caliber students from diverse backgrounds and a recognized and respected center for research addressing major global challenges as well as the pressing needs of the Central Valley. The successful candidate must have an excellent record of academic accomplishment, evidenced by doctoral level academic accomplishment and a record of scholarship commensurate with an appointment as a full professor in the UC System. This position represents a remarkable opportunity for a gifted academic leader and builder to continue to develop a new campus within the world's most prestigious university system.

UC Merced has retained Isaacson, Miller, a national executive search firm, to assist in this search. Confidential inquiries, nominations, referrals, and resumes with cover letters should be sent in confidence to:



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**Email submission of application materials is strongly encouraged.**

*UC Merced is committed to cultural diversity and it is expected that the successful candidate will further this commitment.  
The University is an affirmative action/equal opportunity employer.*