

DEAN, COLLEGE OF SCIENCES & MATHEMATICS

Auburn University invites nominations and applications for the position of Dean, College of Sciences & Mathematics. The dean serves as the College's chief academic and administrative officer and provides vision and leadership that enhances its tradition of excellence in teaching, research, service, outreach, and diversity. The dean reports directly to the Provost and Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs and will be located in Auburn, Alabama.

Auburn University is one of the nation's premier public land-grant institutions, and in 2021, it was ranked 40th among public universities by U.S. News and World Report. Auburn, an R1 research university, maintains high levels of research activity and high standards for teaching excellence, offering bachelor's, master's, educational specialist, and doctor's degrees in agriculture and engineering, the professions, and the arts and sciences. Its 2020-2021 enrollment of 30,737 students includes 24,505 undergraduates and 6,263 graduate and professional students. Organized into 12 academic colleges and schools, Auburn's 1,426 faculty members offer more than 200 educational programs. The university is nationally recognized for its commitment to academic excellence, positive work environment, student engagement, and beautiful campus.

Auburn residents enjoy a thriving community, recognized as one of the "best small towns in America," with a moderate climate and easy access to major cities or beach and recreational mountain facilities. Situated along the rapidly developing I-85 corridor between Atlanta, Georgia, and Montgomery, Alabama, the combined Auburn-Opelika, Alabama-Columbus, Georgia statistical area has a population of over 500,000, with excellent public-school systems, outstanding recreation areas, and an exceptional regional medical center.

The College of Sciences & Mathematics offers degrees across five departments, including Biological Sciences, Chemistry and Biochemistry, Geosciences, Mathematics and Statistics, and Physics. The College of Sciences & Mathematics has approximately 2,700 students, including 2,300 undergraduate and 400 graduate students and 160 faculty. In addition, the College is home to research clusters in Biophysics and Discipline-Based Education Research and averages more than \$18 million in research funding annually, including multiple NSF CAREER Awards each of the last several years.

The dean will lead the College in support of the university's shared values, including scholarship, instruction, outreach, and diversity. This individual will represent all academic units within the College and advance all programs inside and outside the university. In addition, the dean must support and advocate for all students, faculty, and staff while ensuring that all constituents both enhance and improve their knowledge to serve the College and university better. For more information on the position, [click here](#).

Candidates must possess an earned doctorate, or commensurate credential, and academic and/or professional accomplishments that are sufficient to merit appointment with tenure at the rank of professor. The successful candidate will possess a demonstrated capacity to lead a growing organization, build consensus among stakeholders, foster increased research and scholarship, promote student advancement, enhance corporate and alumni relations, assertively fundraise, and effectively represent the College to outside constituencies. Experience in administration, fiscal management, faculty/staff development, and fundraising is highly desired. Knowledge of state and national accreditation standards is required. Other qualifications include collaborative leadership, shared decision-making, demonstrated effectiveness in sustaining collegial relationships with faculty staff, students, and administrators.

A successful track record in budget development and strategic planning and practical ability to balance advocacy for the College with the university community's needs is essential to success in this position. In addition, the candidate selected for this position must meet eligibility requirements to work in the United States when the appointment is scheduled to begin and continue working legally for the proposed term of employment.

Salary and benefits will be commensurate with education and experience.

While applications and nominations will be accepted until the position is filled, interested parties are encouraged to submit their curriculum vitae. To receive optimum consideration, submit a vitae and letter of interest to the address below by November 15, 2021.

Electronic submissions of all nominations and applications are encouraged. In addition, those with interest in this position should submit a curriculum vitae and a letter of application indicating experience as it relates to the position to:

Search Committee – Dean, College of Sciences & Mathematics
Attention: Director, Breckenridge Partners
Email: mek@breckenridgepartners.com

Initial review of candidates will begin in November and will continue until a qualified candidate is appointed.
Auburn University is an EEO/Vet/Disability Employer and committed to building an inclusive and diverse community.