



## **President**

The Youngstown State University (YSU) Board of Trustees invites applications and nominations for the position of President. The Board seeks a dynamic, energetic, and visionary leader to work closely with the entire University community to achieve its mission and potential, emphasizing a creative, integrated approach to education, scholarship, and service.

### **Background and Position**

Over the past decade, YSU has broadened and diversified its programs and services, strengthened its enrollment and fundraising, and expanded its partnership role with the city of Youngstown and the Mahoning Valley region. Building on this solid foundation, the next decade promises to be dynamic and change-oriented, with new opportunities to enhance its undergraduate programs, to build and expand graduate programs, to further develop its role in research and development, to strengthen its global partnerships, and to play new leadership roles in the education and economic lives of its community and region.

Nearly 14,600 students at YSU choose from over 100 undergraduate majors, 35 master's programs, and doctorates in educational leadership and physical therapy. Since 2000, enrollment has grown by nearly 25 percent, the highest rate of growth among Ohio's state universities during that period, and diverse students comprise 19.6 percent of the total student population. YSU is an NCAA Division I School with a proud history of accomplishment both on and off the playing field. YSU faculty are committed to the success of students and are actively engaged in research, receiving \$11.68 million in external grants and contracts in 2008-09. The University recently celebrated 100 years of service and conducted a highly successful Centennial Campaign that has exceeded \$50 million.

As the leader and chief administrator of Youngstown State University, the President exercises broad responsibilities for all aspects of the academic, student, financial, development and administrative dimensions of the institution and reports to the Board of Trustees. The President must inspire and guide all members of the academic community. Presidential leadership calls for the incumbent to demonstrate wide latitude in judgment and action.

In addition to other qualifications, the ideal candidate should have: the experience, credentials, and other qualifications sufficient to lead, inspire and earn the respect of the broad academic community; the demonstrated ability to lead a complex organization in a period of change; the ability to work effectively with all members of the university community; the skills to be an effective spokesperson for YSU and to articulate the University's mission and programs; the demonstrated ability to manage the fiscal resources of a complex organization;

strong interpersonal and communication skills; high personal integrity and highly ethical standards; and be visionary and creative.

**Information for Applicants**

The new President's term of service will begin in the summer of 2010. Review of candidates will begin in early fall, and, for optimal consideration, materials should be submitted no later than **Thursday, November 12, 2009**. Application materials should include a cover letter addressing the attributes noted above, a resume or curriculum vitae, and the names, addresses, emails, and telephone numbers of at least five references which may include among others faculty, students, and community leaders. *Submission of materials as a Microsoft Word attachment is strongly encouraged.* This search is subject to the Ohio Public Records Law.

Chuck Bunting, Consulting Partner, and Vicki Henderson, Senior Associate, of Storbeck/Pimentel & Associates, L.L.C., are assisting the search committee. Questions, requests for the full profile, and all written nominations and applications should be sent by email to: [c.bunting@storbeckpimentel.com](mailto:c.bunting@storbeckpimentel.com) or [v.henderson@storbeckpimentel.com](mailto:v.henderson@storbeckpimentel.com); (610) 572-4296; or directed to:

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*Further information about the search and Youngstown State is available at the website:  
[www.yzu.edu/trustees/president2010.shtml](http://www.yzu.edu/trustees/president2010.shtml)*

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