OLD DOMINION UNIVERSITY

SEEKS

FOUNDING DEAN

COLLEGE OF CONTINUING EDUCATION

and PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Old Dominion University seeks an accomplished and entrepreneurial leader as the Founding Dean of its new College of Continuing Education and Professional Development. The Dean will develop and implement a strategic vision for the University’s renewed commitment to professional workforce development for post-traditional students. He or she will have proven initiative, considerable administrative leadership experience in the continuing and professional education environment, familiarity with online educational models and program development, and an in-depth understanding of assessing and addressing market opportunities for a working, part-time student audience.

Old Dominion University is a public Carnegie Doctoral Research-Extensive University situated in the metropolitan Hampton Roads region of coastal Virginia. Current student enrollment is 25,500 students with more than 5,000 graduate students and nearly 1,500 international students. The main campus in Norfolk, VA is adjacent to the largest naval base in the world. Many of its more than 70 undergraduate and almost 100 graduate programs are also offered at three higher education centers, located in Virginia Beach, Portsmouth/Suffolk, and Hampton, VA. The University has been a national leader in technology delivered distance learning since the mid-1980s and is now one of the largest providers of distance learning degree programs in the country. More than 70 complete degree programs are offered via distance learning modalities to sites around Virginia and across the nation.

Reporting to the Provost, the founding Dean for the College will be responsible for the overall reorganization and expansion of existing continuing education and professional development programs and new opportunities for professional advancement, including interdisciplinary programs in fields of national interest and certificates in areas of interest to industry and business partners. Responsibilities include market development, the creation of policies to ensure high quality course offerings, and the oversight of curriculum development in collaboration with the deans of the University’s six academic colleges and faculty governance. The Dean will reach beyond the University in building relationships to fulfill the mission and potential of the College.

The University seeks an individual who preferably has led a similar operation and brings a strong track record in designing, developing and conducting innovative programs for the working professional audience. Candidates for this exciting new position will place a high value on diversity and pluralism and will provide leadership and support to non-tenure track faculty and administrative staff in the College. They should have excellent strategic planning skills, be able to manage personnel and financial resources effectively, and demonstrate an understanding of the growing importance of distance education and
technology-delivered instruction. Proven innovation, outreach, and collaborative skills are highly desirable.

Candidates should submit a letter of interest that addresses the main qualifications and expectations in the Position Profile, a comprehensive curriculum vitae, and the names of 5 references with email and phone numbers (references will be contacted only with the permission of the candidate) to the Chair of the Search Committee at OfficeOfTheProvost@odu.edu. Copies of the Position Profile are available at www.odu.edu/acadaffairs. The first review of applications will begin on March 1, 2014, but applications will be received until the position is filled. Please direct inquiries to Ms. Judy Bowman jbowman@odu.edu or by phone (757) 683-3260.

Old Dominion University is an affirmative action, equal opportunity institution and requires compliance with the Immigration Reform and Control Act of 1986.