

**UNIVERSITY OF
LOUISVILLE®**

**Executive Vice President for
Research & Innovation**

Position Profile





The Opportunity

The University of Louisville (UofL) is seeking an accomplished, visionary, and transformational leader to serve as the next Executive Vice President for Research & Innovation (EVPRI). Reporting to President Kim Schatzel, the EVPRI works collaboratively with the Executive Vice President and University Provost and the Executive Vice President for Health Affairs in aligning research with UofL's overall academic mission as a Carnegie R1, community engaged university. As one of only 84 universities in the US to earn this recognition, UofL impacts lives in the areas of student success and research and innovation, while its dynamic connection with the local and global communities provides unparalleled opportunities for student and citizens both.

Job Summary

The Executive Vice President for Research & Innovation (EVPRI) is responsible for developing institutional research policies and procedures, coordinating and providing oversight of research, scholarship, and creative activity at UofL, and serving in a key leadership role in defining and meeting the emerging research opportunities of the future. In addition, the office oversees the identification, marketing, and licensing of intellectual property developed at UofL and works to enhance economic development initiatives.

In their role, the EVPRI will lead the university in achieving the goals of its research and economic development agenda including: promoting interdisciplinary and cross-disciplinary research; integrating research and education at both the graduate and undergraduate levels; ensuring the integrity of research processes and policies; stewarding the special physical and computational infrastructure necessary for research leadership, establishing collaborative research partnerships between the university and key stakeholders at the local, regional, national, and international levels; participating in federal and state policy and programs regarding research and economic development; and engaging a broad range of individuals in research, scholarly, or creative activity that strengthen the university's research enterprise.

The EVPRI will also promote and facilitate technology transfer by leading in the development of translational research to help move discoveries from the conceptual stage through development of ideas for the good of humanity. In addition, the EVPRI will play a critical role in fostering increased business engagement, entrepreneurship, and economic development opportunities by leveraging business development, technology transfer, and the development of university operated research ecosystems. The EVPRI provides business, industry, and foundations with information concerning the university's research capabilities and stimulates the development of collaborations between them and the university.

Essential Duties & Responsibilities

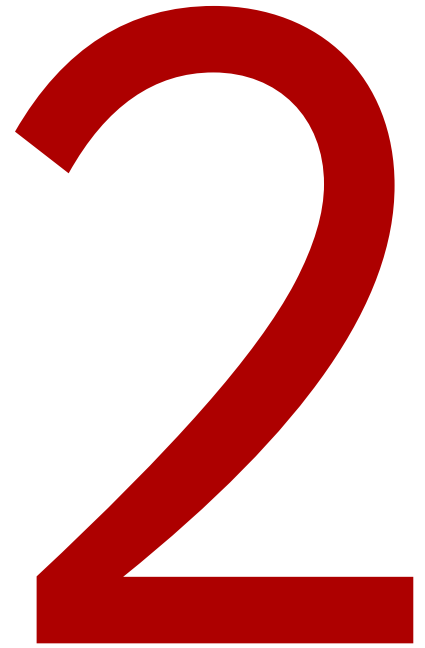
- › To act in all matters pertaining to the university's separately budgeted research activities, such as sponsored projects.
- › To review and approve proposals for extramural funding and in the acceptance of extramural grants and contracts for research, training, and services, and to monitor compliance with agency guidelines.
- › To work with the Vice President for Development and Alumni in identifying and establishing liaisons with corporations and foundations that will provide support for basic and applied research at the university.
- › To provide external agencies, corporations, and foundations with information on the research, training, and service capabilities of the University of Louisville.
- › To implement the university's agreements with agencies, corporations, and foundations on the conduct of R&D activities.
- › To serve as a member of the Board of Directors of the University of Louisville Research Foundation.
- › To review and provide recommendations to the president, through the provost, on proposals for large scale research activities such as research centers, centralized research facilities, interdisciplinary research programs, and interinstitutional research agreements.
- › In coordination with the provost, to develop and manage research support services such as centralized research facilities and major research equipment.

- › To work with faculty and deans to develop, stimulate, and participate in activities that encourage interactions between the university and the private sector in research activities.
- › To encourage and assist faculty and other university personnel in developing opportunities for patents, licensing, and technology transfer.
- › To represent the interests of the faculty in all aspects of fiscal administration of sponsored research.
- › To have delegated authority over the university-wide internal budget for support of research, scholarship, and creative activity.
- › To ensure that all university personnel adhere to strict standards of ethical conduct in planning, conducting, and reporting research and scholarly activity.
- › To work with the Office of the President and the Provost's Office to maintain, develop, and enhance relationships, policy, and programs involving the university and local, state, and governmental agencies in matters related to research and innovation.
- › To undertake additional assignments, at the discretion of the provost, in research.

The Successful Candidate

The successful candidate will possess national distinction as a scholar, researcher/practitioner, and educator with the accomplishments expected for appointment as a tenured full professor at the University of Louisville. The EVPRI must also exhibit substantial administrative leadership experience at a research university or comparable setting. The EVPRI will also have:

- › An earned doctorate or other terminal degree from an accredited university and a distinguished research record in their academic discipline.
- › Extensive scholarly interest and understanding of and commitment to promoting the full spectrum of research, including that conducted by undergraduate, graduate, and professional students, interdisciplinary research, creative work, and engagement at the university.
- › Extensive knowledge of and experience with research funding issues, policies, and sources.
- › The ability to administer a large research-support enterprise, including exercising fiscally sound oversight of the budget.
- › The ability to champion and prioritize the research mission of the university as a member of the UofL leadership team.
- › The ability to promote integration of the research and educational mission of the university.
- › The ability to represent the university's research mission to a variety of constituencies, external and internal.
- › Experience managing the relationship between research and entrepreneurship/economic development programs/strategies.
- › Demonstrated ability to work with a diverse faculty in a wide range of disciplines and the vision and administrative expertise to create and implement innovative research and scholarly initiatives while enhancing the diversity of the university community.



About Research & Innovation

The University of Louisville is a premier, metropolitan research institution bursting with creativity and ideas. The vision of the Office of Research & Innovation is to support those ideas, helping them grow and spread so they can change, improve and even save lives.

We do this by providing support for our scholarly community as they work to explore and increase our collective understanding of the world through art, science, business, and a multitude of different disciplines. We also teach our students the value of those pursuits, molding them into the next generation of thinkers, creators, explorers, and leaders.

UofL seeks to be a leader of academic research, artistic exploration, scientific and technological innovation, and economic growth. We develop and attract talented, energetic people and ideas with a thorough understanding of our global community. And we promote a spirit of entrepreneurship and innovation that inspires and energizes the creativity of the region.

More specifically, we:

- › Engage in scholarly and creative activity that preserves the knowledge of the past, creates new knowledge that may be translated into useful forms for the betterment of all.
- › Advance our understanding of health and the human body, generating science and technology that protects, improves and saves lives.
- › Provide a well-educated, job-ready population and workforce—individuals who are engaged citizens and leaders, who can think critically, express themselves well and who are responsible citizens and leaders.
- › Provide research and scholarly activity that promotes cultural, technological and economic development.
- › Translate intellectual energy and invention through new businesses and a vibrant research base that helps attract new talent and investment.
- › Promote the overall quality of life of our community by ensuring the vibrancy of the social, artistic, and cultural base of the community.
- › Continue to serve as a source of pride — an energizing and a transforming force for the community through nationally and internationally recognized university accomplishments.

In meeting these goals, UofL will continue to be a transforming agent and institution of uncommon ambition whose research exceeds its grasp, preserving the age-old values of the academic world while leading its community boldly into the future.

Research Stats

\$176 million

Competitive funding earned in 2023

38

Patents awarded for 2023

\$230 million

Research expenditures in 2023

Mission Statement

The mission of the Office of Research & Innovation is to support research, scholarship, and creative activity and to translate UofL discoveries to the world to benefit Louisville, the Commonwealth of Kentucky, the nation, and the world.

Impact

Research & Innovation continued to soar to new heights in 2023, with UofL research expenditures totaling a record \$230 million.

- › More than \$22 million in funding from the Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) was awarded to the Schools of Medicine (\$16 million) and Nursing (\$6.5 million) for physician and nurse training to help increase Kentuckians' access to health care, particularly in underserved rural and urban areas.
- › An \$11.5 million grant from the National Institutes of Health was announced for UofL researcher Cheri Levinson to continue her work addressing the devastating effects of eating disorders.
- › Research conducted in UofL's Micro/Nano Technology Center is investigating whether the antibacterial properties of cicada wings can be turned into an antimicrobial for use in places like food service, health care facilities, and medical devices.
- › More than 80 of UofL's top researchers, scholars, and artists were honored in October at the 2023 Research, Scholarship, and Creative Activity Awards ceremony.



About the University of Louisville

Founded in 1798 as one of the nation's first city-owned, public universities, the University of Louisville (UofL) is a vital ecosystem that creates thriving futures for students, our community, and society.

As one of only 84 universities in the US to earn recognition by the Carnegie Foundation as both a Research 1 and a Community Engaged university, UofL is uniquely positioned to impact lives in areas of student success and research and innovation, while our dynamic connection with our local and global communities provides unparalleled opportunities for students and citizens both.

Mission Statement

The University of Louisville pursues excellence and inclusiveness in its work to educate and serve its community through:

- › Teaching diverse undergraduate, graduate, and professional students in order to develop engaged citizens, leaders, and scholars,
- › Practicing and applying research, scholarship, and creative activity, and
- › Providing engaged service and outreach that improve the quality of life for local and global communities.

The University is committed to achieving preeminence as a nationally recognized metropolitan research university.

Vision Statement

The University of Louisville will be recognized as a great place to learn, discover, connect and work because we celebrate diversity, foster equity, and strive for inclusion.

Strategic Plan 2023–2025: Ways Forward

The University of Louisville continues to prioritize and demonstrate how, together, the Cardinal Community leads the charge to help a better world take flight. The new plan prioritizes UofL's efforts to be a great place to learn, where we redefine student success, and work, where we live our mission of creating thriving futures for our students, our community, and our society. Other priorities focus on efforts to make UofL a great place to discover, thanks to its high standing as a research and innovation powerhouse, and a great place to connect as a valuable resource to and partner with our community. The plan also includes five- and ten-year mileposts and an overarching statement of pride and purpose to guide us on our journey.

Academics

Accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges (SACSCOC), UofL awards bachelor's, master's, specialist, doctoral, and first-professional degrees (DMD, JD, MD, and PhD) through 12 colleges and schools.

- › **College of Arts & Sciences**: As UofL's largest academic unit, the College of Arts & Sciences offers a diverse range of opportunities from over 30 departments and program in natural and physical sciences, and arts and humanities.

Facts & Figures

- › Established: 1798
- › President: Dr. Kim Schatzel (effective February 1, 2023)
- › Student Body: 23,225
- › Faculty and Staff: 6,976
- › Alumni: More than 170,000 residing in the US and around the world
- › Operating Budget: \$1.6 billion including \$145 million from the commonwealth of Kentucky
- › Endowment: \$918 million (FY 2022)
- › Federal Funding: \$98.1 million
- › Accreditation: Southern Association of Colleges & Schools Commission on Colleges (SACSCOC)
- › Athletic Conference: Atlantic

- › College of Business: The College of Business offers high quality undergraduate and graduate business programs that prepare our students for rewarding careers and enhance the vitality of Louisville, the region, and the broader business community.
- › School of Dentistry: The School of Dentistry enjoys a rich heritage in dental education and a reputation for clinical excellence that reaches back to the 1800s. More than 100,000 patient visits occur each year at the Dental School.
- › College of Education & Human Development: The College of Education & Human Development promotes the highest levels of learning and social, emotional, and physical health and well-being for all children, individuals, and families to enhance the communities in which they grow and develop.
- › School of Engineering: The School of Engineering's vision is to become the preeminent provider of high-quality, accessible, and experiential-based engineering education and a national leader among public, metropolitan engineering institutions in research, scholarship, and creative activity.
- › Graduate School: The Graduate School currently has more than 149 programs offering approximately 39 doctoral, 89 masters, 3 professional, and 18 certificate degrees.
- › School of Law: At the Louis D. Brandeis School of Law, students find the excitement of new ideas, the challenge of intellectual exchange and the rigor of critical analysis. They provide students with the training and opportunity to transform themselves and the world.
- › School of Medicine: At the School of Medicine, our mission is to improve the health of our patients and our communities through excellence and leadership in education, clinical care, research, and community engagement.
- › School of Music: The School of Music is committed to teaching music as an artistic, academic, and professional discipline, fostering the creation, performance, study, teaching, and therapeutic use of music, and to contributing innovative musical leadership.
- › School of Nursing: The School of Nursing promotes excellence in the profession of nursing through research and scholarship that inform undergraduate and graduate education, support evidence-based practice and foster advances in nursing science.
- › School of Public Health & Information Sciences: We strive to enhance public health and healthcare delivery systems through education, research, community engagement and practice. Our graduates have the knowledge and skills to improve population health and alleviate suffering caused by disease, injuries, and health disparities.
- › School of Social Work & Family Science: We prepare students to work in a society with complex social problems and needs. We provide current research information in the preparation of its students for work with individuals, families, and communities.

Budget

Tied to the University's strategic plan, the FY 2023–24 budget is \$1.65 billion – the largest operating budget in the university's history. It includes several key initiatives that support students, faculty, and staff while ensuring the university's financial stability, protecting its assets and preparing for future growth. Among the budget's main highlights are:

- › \$3.5 million in institutional financial aid to support affordability for students and their families
- › \$600,000 increase to the graduate stipend pool to help attract and retain outstanding students
- › 2% cost of living (COLA) increase for eligible regular full-time and part-time faculty and staff
- › \$77 million in state support for asset preservation

Campuses

UofL spreads across three campuses encompassing academic, health, and business enterprises.

- › Belknap Campus: Considered the school's main campus, the 274-acre Belknap Campus is three miles south from downtown Louisville and houses eight of the university's 12 degree-granting colleges and schools.
- › Health Sciences Center (HSC): The HSC Campus is located in downtown Louisville's medical complex and is home to the schools of Medicine, Nursing, Dentistry and Public Health and Information Sciences, along with University of Louisville Hospital and UofL Health. The UofL Health enterprise includes eight hospitals, four medical centers, the Frazier Rehab Institute, Brown Cancer Center and nearly 200 physician practice locations.
- › Shelby Campus: Located in eastern Louisville, the Shelby Campus is home to several university centers, as well as the Shelbyside office park for business and technology endeavors.

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About Louisville, Kentucky

Located in the heart of Kentucky's largest metropolitan area, the Greater Louisville Metropolitan area has a population of approximately 1.3 million while the city of Louisville has a population of approximately 626,000. The perfect mix of Southern charm and big city culture, the thriving metropolitan city is a vibrant center of cultural activity, boasting great foods, sports, concerts, a beautiful parks system, cultural events, and world-class attractions.

Situated on the banks of the Ohio River, America's 17th largest city boasts a cost of living that is substantially lower than the national average, with a broad range of affordable housing options from high-rise apartments and historic Victorian homes to suburban communities and rural farms.

Louisville by the Numbers

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Most Beautiful & Affordable Places to Live, [Travel + Leisure 2023](#)

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Best Food Cities in the U.S., [Travel + Leisure 2023](#)

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Best Cities for New College Graduates, [SmartAsset 2022](#)



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Nomination & Application Process

Compensation

Salary will be competitive and commensurate with qualifications and experience.

How to Apply

Greenwood Asher & Associates® is assisting the University of Louisville in this search. Applications and nominations are now being accepted. Inquiries, nominations, and application materials should be directed to Greenwood Asher & Associates®. Application materials should include:

- › A letter of interest that clearly states the applicant's qualifications for the position
- › A current résumé/curriculum vitae

We strongly encourage submitting application materials as PDF attachments. The search will be conducted with a commitment of confidentiality for candidates until finalists are selected. Initial screening of applications will begin immediately and will continue until an appointment is made.

Please direct inquiries, nominations, and application materials to:

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