The Mississippi Board of Trustees of State Institutions of Higher Learning (IHL) invites applications and nominations for the position of President of Mississippi Valley State University (MVSU). Mississippi Valley State University is one of eight public universities within IHL; a historically Black university and a Carnegie Masters institution offering concentrated study in the arts, business, education, humanities, public services, pre-professional health services, social sciences, sciences, social work, and technology. More than $38 million in new construction is underway, including two new residence halls and renovation of several administrative and academic buildings including an existing residence hall.

Mississippi Valley State University is located on a 450-acre tract of land in Leflore County in the heart of the Mississippi Delta with an enrollment of approximately 3,000 students. MVSU is accredited by SACS and offers programs in the Colleges of Arts and Sciences; Education; Professional Studies; the Honors Program; Graduate School; University College, and Continuing Education. The University is also developing Centers for Excellence in teacher education, science and technology, and entrepreneurship and economic development.

The President of Mississippi Valley State University is the chief operating officer and is accountable to the Commissioner of Higher Education at IHL. The successful candidate will have an understanding of and commitment to the mission of MVSU, and will have a proven record of success in senior leadership experience, comprehensive understanding of strategic and long-range planning, resource development, personnel management, fundraising, enrollment management, and budget planning. An appropriate terminal degree and academic credentials sufficient to engender respect from the University and the community-at-large are preferred.

Greenwood/Asher & Associates, Inc. is assisting the Mississippi Board of Trustees of State Institutions of Higher Learning with this search. Initial screening of applications will begin immediately and will continue until an appointment is made. Application materials should include a letter addressing how the candidate’s experiences match the position requirements, a curriculum vitae or resume, and contact information for at least four references. Submission of materials as a MS Word attachment is strongly encouraged. Confidential inquiries, nominations, and application materials should be directed to:

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