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Department	School of the Arts
Institution	Virginia Commonwealth University Richmond, Virginia
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Job Description

Dean, VCU School of the Arts and Special Assistant to the Provost for the School of Arts in Qatar

The Virginia Commonwealth University School of the Arts (VCUarts) seeks to fill the position of Dean, VCU School of the Arts and Special Assistant to the Provost for the School of the Arts in Qatar. The dean will have the opportunity to join a highly energetic, engaged and talented faculty, staff and student population. The school, with a graduate arts program that has the highest U.S. News & World Report ranking ever achieved by a public university arts and design school, has established itself as a creative force, locally, nationally and internationally. The school encompasses a wide spectrum of disciplines whose distinctiveness fosters opportunities for premier collaborations and synergies within the school, across the university, and around the globe. The next dean must embrace the opportunity to provide leadership for the caliber of creative work within the school. The faculty, students, staff and community set high aspirations for themselves, individually, and as a school and will expect the same



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from their next dean.

The School of the Arts educates approximately 3,000 undergraduates and more than 140 graduate students through programs both in Richmond and in Doha, Qatar. In Richmond, students are taught by over 175 full-time teaching and research faculty members and more than 200 others who bring direct artistic experience into the classroom on a part-time basis, as well as 39 staff members that assist in our daily processes. The school is organized into 16 departments and programs, offering 18 bachelor's degrees, six master's degrees and one doctoral degree. The School of the Arts has an annual budget of \$38 million and an endowment of more than \$13.5 million.

The dean will be responsible for the overall implementation of the mission and day-to-day operations of the School of Arts. Reporting to and working with the Provost, and in coordination with the deans from other schools and colleges, the dean will have responsibility for the strategic, programmatic, financial, fundraising and management operations that support the mission and vision of the School of Arts and its role within VCU. Additionally, the dean will have oversight for the School of the Arts in Qatar. In collaboration with the school's leadership team, the dean will lead in shaping the future of the School, articulating a vision that defines its standard of excellence, the directions of its growth and the new and multi-disciplinary connections that are possible not only across the university but throughout the world. Internally, the dean will be expected to create space for excellence and collaborations, while reducing obstacles that inhibit such goals, and actively foster a diverse, equitable and inclusive environment. The next dean will be visible and accessible to the broad community of VCUarts.

The review of credentials will begin immediately and will continue until the position is filled. Candidates should complete the basic personal and demographic application through the VCU job site at:

<https://www.vcujobs.com/postings/95755>. Candidates should provide a curriculum vita, a letter of application that addresses the responsibilities and requirements described in the Leadership Statement, and the names and contact information of five references. References will not be contacted without prior knowledge and approval of candidates. All nominations and applications shall be confidential, until finalists are named. Requests for information and all written nominations and applications should be directed to:

Susan VanGilder, Partner

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