

**FOUNDING PRESIDENT**  
**FLORIDA**  
**POLYTECHNIC**  
**UNIVERSITY**

*One of the most exciting initiatives in higher education is literally rising from the ground in Lakeland, Florida. Florida Polytechnic University, the 12th university in the Florida State University System, is being developed on a 150 acre tract between Orlando and Tampa. Anchored by a spectacular marquis building designed by internationally renowned architect Santiago Calatrava, the Florida Polytechnic University will be home to an innovative approach to educating students in applied STEM areas.*

When classes begin in August 2014, there will be two colleges – (1) Engineering and (2) Technology and Innovation - offering six degrees. The entering class of 500 students will include both freshman and transfer students who will all receive tuition scholarships for their entire student experience at the University. Faculty are currently being hired and an interim administrative team is working under the guidance of the Board to lay the groundwork for the opening of classes.

The University's *Mission Statement* states that the University's goal 'is to educate students emphasizing Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM) in an innovative, technology-rich, and interdisciplinary learning environment. The University collaborates with industry partners to offer students real-world problem-solving, work experience, applied research and business leadership opportunities. Florida Polytechnic prepares students to assume available leadership positions in the dynamic technological landscape in Florida, the nation, and the world.' (You are encouraged to learn more about the University at its website <http://floridapolytechnic.org>.)

The President reports directly to the Board of Trustees and is the chief executive officer of the University. The President is responsible for the execution of the strategic plan and the effective development and operation of FPU. The Board seeks President candidates who embrace and personify the DNA of the University. We are seeking individuals from the STEM areas who are visionary, innovative, and forward-thinking. The best candidates will have an entrepreneur spirit and a strategic perspective. The President will work closely with leaders in the business community and state government to assure that the University's educational offerings are appropriately serving the needs of students, the high technology industry and the State of Florida.

Applications and nominations should be submitted to our consultant at the address below by December 31 to assure optimal consideration.

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*~Florida Polytechnic University is an affirmative action/equal employment employer.~*  
*[Please note that this search is being conducted consistent with the State of Florida's Sunshine Laws.]*

**The ad ran in the following publications.**

Chronicle of Higher Education  
October 11 & October 18 Issues

Hispanic Outlook  
October 7 Issue

DIVERSE  
October 24 Issue

Women In Higher Education  
November 1 Issue