

# Advertisement

## Provost, New College of the Humanities at Northeastern

Founded in 1898, Northeastern University is one of the largest private research universities in North America, with more than 37,000 students across its nine Colleges and Schools, and campuses in Boston, Charlotte, Seattle, the San Francisco Bay Area, Toronto, Vancouver, and London. It grants associate, bachelor, master and doctoral degrees to a diverse student body drawn from all 50 US states and more than 125 countries. The University is a world leader in experiential education, and it conducts high impact, applied research that meets societal needs.

In early 2019, Northeastern acquired the private New College of the Humanities (NCH), based in the heart of London. NCH, now known as NCH at Northeastern Limited (NCHNL), had already developed a reputation for delivering an unrivalled university experience, scoring highly for student satisfaction in the UK's national rankings. With its small-group tutorials, the College has one of the best staff-to-student ratios in UK higher education, delivering broad and academically rigorous degree programs that equip graduates with the knowledge and skills needed by employers and society. Following the grant of Taught Degree Awarding Powers in February 2020, NCHNL is expanding its portfolio by developing interdisciplinary, business and STEM-orientated degree programs, which combine its strengths in the humanities with the exploration of complementary scientific subjects. To reflect the change in ownership and significantly expanded academic portfolio, NCHNL is preparing to apply for university title.

NCHNL is now seeking an outstanding inaugural Provost, who will serve as the institution's Chief Academic Officer and be a key member of its Executive Committee. The Provost will have overall responsibility for leading all educational and research activities, and for improving the quality, capability, effectiveness and efficiency of all academic services in line with Northeastern's global strategy. The precise duties of this new role will evolve over time, but the Provost will be expected to chair the Academic Board, lead the development of the new Academic Plan, maintain close and productive relations with Northeastern's senior leadership and with UK sector bodies, and deliver the rapid and successful growth of NCHNL's academic offering and footprint. This is likely to include dual degrees, European expansion, apprenticeships, an enhanced liberal arts curriculum, and new areas such as FinTech and AI.

The appointed candidate will have gained significant relevant leadership experience in a higher education institution or be able to demonstrate sustained engagement with academia and pedagogy in a related commercial business. Experience of different international higher education systems, particularly in the UK and the US, would be an advantage. You must hold an earned doctorate, plus a record of distinguished scholarly and professional accomplishment appropriate for this role. And most importantly, you will be excited by NCHNL's unique proposition and be willing to work at pace and with a high degree of autonomy. The ability to engage and inspire the academic community at NCHNL and further afield, and a strong commitment to diversity in all its forms, are essential.

This is a career-defining leadership role and a rare opportunity to direct and shape the academic growth of NCHNL as it enters a new chapter in its development.

For the full job description, candidate specification and details of how to apply, please see: [www.odgers.com/80269](http://www.odgers.com/80269)

Applications are invited at your earliest convenience, and by no later than close of business on **Monday, 24 August 2020**.

*We promote diversity in employment and welcome applications from all sections of the community.*

