Boise State University invites applications and nominations for the founding Dean of the School of Public Service (SPS). SPS will officially become part of the Boise State University campus on July 1, 2015 with a mission of producing innovative solutions to pressing and complex political, social, economic and environmental concerns and preparing students for service in the public sector.

Boise State (www.boisestate.edu), with an enrollment exceeding 19,000 students, is a public comprehensive master’s institution that offers select doctoral programs. The University is the largest institution in the Idaho system of higher education, and consists of seven colleges with over 2,000 faculty and staff. The University is located in the state capital of Boise (www.boisechamber.org), which has a metropolitan population of approximately 620,000.

Responsibilities: The Dean will report directly to the Provost of the University. The School will consist of the Departments of Public Policy & Administration (Ph.D.; MPA); Community & Regional Planning (MA), Criminal Justice (MA; BS), Political Science (MA; BS), and Military Science (ROTC), and will include approximately 32 full-time faculty members with 1,000 undergraduate and 125 graduate students. The Dean will be expected to play a crucial role in the development of the School as it fits into Boise State University’s culture of rich and diverse academic programs. The Dean will be the lead representative of SPS in the state capital (Boise) and in the state of Idaho and be responsible for fund raising, including the retention of external grants that further the mission of SPS. An Associate Dean will take the lead in academic affairs and assist the Dean in all administrative activities. This is a full-time, 12-month position. Salary is competitive and will be commensurate with experience.

Required qualifications: Competitive candidates for this position will possess demonstrated leadership abilities and offer a strong vision for SPS’s future, with a commitment to innovative teaching, cutting-edge scholarship, and meaningful community outreach. In addition, the ideal candidate will possess a proven track record of substantial fund raising and of linking higher education and universities to external entities (e.g., communities, legislatures, businesses) in such a manner that both advocates for and brings resources to the School. Candidates will possess a collegial style of leadership that provides faculty and staff an environment that encourages academic excellence.
**Desired experience and qualifications:** An earned doctorate in a field compatible to the School’s mission statement with sufficient experience for tenure at the rank of Full Professor; an entrepreneurial drive designed to take advantage of the School’s location in a capital city and growing region of the Intermountain West; experience in successful community engagement; a mixture of executive-level experience in academia and the public at large.

**Nominations and Applications:** Nominations are encouraged. Both nominations and applications are to be sent by email to Rent Consulting Group, LLC at grent@rentconsultinggroup.com. Completed applications must include a letter of application, current CV, and contact information for five professional references. Confidential review of applicants will begin after February 9, 2015 and continue until the position is filled.

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*Boise State is committed to achieving excellence through cultural diversity. The University actively encourages applications and nominations of women, persons of color, and members of other underrepresented groups. EOE/AA Institution, Vets Preferences.*