



Call for Applications for the Position of President of The Dominican School of Philosophy and Theology

The Dominican School of Philosophy and Theology (DSPT), an accredited graduate school serving lay and religious students in Berkeley, California, operating under the jurisdiction of the United States Western Dominican Province as the Province's *studium* and as a Dominican international center of formation, is seeking candidates for the position of President with the first five-year term (two maximum) commencing in July of 2022.

The President serves as the chief executive of the School, accountable to the Western Province's Board of Corporate Members and to the School's Board of Trustees. The President also represents the School in its membership in the Graduate Theological Union, a consortium of eight independent theological schools in Berkeley.

Through leadership of a professional staff and faculty, the President is responsible for the School's vision, strategy, planning, curriculum, finances and funding. The President also serves as the primary representative of the DSPT in its engagement with private and public, religious and lay institutions.

Qualifications

Education

- A PhD or equivalent preferred. Recognized as a thought leader and able to guide the DSPT to be responsive to trends in theological and philosophical education.

Language

- Fluency in English. Some facility with at least one of the other languages of the Dominican Order (French and Spanish) desirable.

Experience/Knowledge

- A Dominican Friar or Sister who has demonstrated engagement with and advocacy for the community, traditions and charism of Dominican Friars.
- Proven success with engaging, persuasive, compelling communication skills in terms of content and written and oral delivery in development, recruitment and media contexts.

Essential leadership experience

- Has developed a vision and strategy for an institution with measurable success.
- Has engaged and aligned with external stakeholders (board, community, donors, civic, etc.)
- Has contributed through influence to the acquiring of major donor gifts.

Preferable leadership experience:

- Is or has been a head of an institution, preferably academic.
- Has established and managed budgets.
- Has managed a staff - setting goals, coaching, recruiting/hiring, addressing performance issues.

Process

CV's and a statement of interest should be submitted to Chris Owens, DSPT Chief of Staff, covens@dspt.edu, 510-883-2072 by June, 2021.