

## Provost Fellows Program

### Overview

The [Provost Fellows Program](#) is designed to support strategic initiatives at the university level and develop leadership skills for tenured faculty. The program complements the University's commitment to develop and mentor effective leaders by providing intense and focused experiences in leadership and administrative roles at the senior levels of the institution.

Fellows are involved in an issue of strategic importance to the university and become familiar with campus-wide academic initiatives, strategic planning, and shared governance. Fellows will assume leadership responsibility for a focused project that supports a strategic need of the university. They are provided opportunities to participate in leadership meetings and engage with colleagues in the Office of the Provost and other academic and administrative units.

### Fellowship Appointment

The Office of the Provost will provide partial support for teaching release and/or other service or assigned duties during the appointment period. Fellows may be provided funding to continue their involvement during the summer and modest discretionary travel and/or professional development funds. The specific details will be negotiated between the Vice Provost for Faculty Affairs, unit head, and fellow. These resources can be used to fund activities on campus, to learn about organizational and academic leadership structures and processes at other institutions, to participate in formal mentoring opportunities, and/or to attend professional conferences.

Interested faculty may wish to connect with previous fellows about their experiences. Prior fellows and their areas of focus can be found [here](#).

### Call for 2022-23 Provost Fellows

Deans may nominate tenured faculty for consideration. Self-nominations from tenured faculty will also be accepted and should be coordinated with the dean's office. All nominations must be endorsed by the nominee's unit. Nominating units should be committed to partnering with the Office of the Provost to provide release-time support if the nominee is selected for a fellowship. The Provost's Office will provide funds to help units offset the cost of the fellowship.

Fellowships typically span the academic year for approximately 15-20 hours per week, commensurate with project and candidate needs. Tenured faculty at any OSU location are eligible. For those not located in Corvallis, some of the fellow's time may need to be spent on the Corvallis campus.

Application materials should include:

- Candidate statement of interest addressing the following (2-3 pages):
  - Highlights of relevant qualifications and leadership experience
  - Potential engagement with one or more of the following strategic needs:

Enhancing OSU's university strategic planning process; ongoing improvements to the promotion and tenure process; enhancing faculty development; faculty recruitment and retention efforts; university internationalization and global engagement efforts; addressing transfer student success and degree completion; supporting faculty diversity; advancing OSU-Cascades initiatives

- Description of how the provost fellowship will foster the nominee's professional goals and growth
- Anticipated time commitment
- CV
- Brief endorsement from the unit

All nominations and application materials must be received no later than **April 20, 2022**. Materials must be submitted by the Dean via the Box folder assigned to their specific college.

Decisions are expected by mid-May. Any questions about the Provost Fellows program should be directed to [Rick Settersten](#), Vice Provost for Faculty Affairs.