California State University Channel Islands (CSUCI) is the newest of the 23 campuses in the CSU system. Minutes from the Pacific Ocean, the main entrance to the campus winds through farmland, orchards, and rocky foothills. The campus’ dramatic Spanish-revival buildings were originally built in the 1930s as a medical facility and are undergoing renovation and expansion for their new purpose. The new Provost will have the extraordinary opportunity to participate in the creation of this new institution of higher education. CSUCI welcomed its first class of junior transfers in fall 2002 and will enroll its first class of freshmen in fall 2003. Ten majors and 3 teaching credentials are among its current offerings. Courses are taught by a rapidly expanding, world-class faculty. More than 1,500 people applied for the 25 faculty positions available for fall 2003. Those chosen will join the 30 faculty members who taught the inaugural classes at the University. The curriculum at CSUCI is innovative and reflects the campus’ mission. The Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs reports to the President and is responsible for providing leadership in the development and implementation of academic programs and policies for the University. Critical issues for the Provost’s attention include shaping an academic vision and the programs that support that vision; addressing the many areas of ambiguity in this institution that are in the process of creation; conveying and nurturing the shared academic vision and mission of the university with
the campus and the community; working in an environment of fiscal constraint; and completing the process of achieving accreditation from the Western Association of Schools and Colleges (WASC).

CSU Channel Islands invites nominations, applications, and inquiries about the position of Provost. The salary range is competitive. Individual salary is dependent upon qualifications. The University offers an excellent benefits package. Attractive on-campus housing is also available. Following successful academic review, the Provost will be appointed to a tenured position. The position will be filled in January 2004, or as soon thereafter as possible.

Candidates should provide a cover letter describing their interest and qualifications for the position, a current resume, and the names of five professional references. References will not be contacted until candidates have been notified. Review of applications begins October 1, and will continue until the position is filled. Candidates are strongly urged to review the CSUCI web site at www.csuci.edu before preparing their materials.

The University is being assisted in this search by Jean Dowdall, Ph.D., and Jane Courson, of EMN/Witt/Kieffer. Submission of all materials as attachments in MS Word is strongly encouraged; please address them to CSUCIprovost@wittkieffer.com. Items that cannot be sent by e-mail may be mailed to EMN/Witt/Kieffer, 98 Old South Road, Nantucket, MA 02554.

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