

# Farmingdale State College

State University of New York

## Associate Provost

**Farmingdale State College**, a nationally ranked college on a trajectory of growth and improvement, has begun the search for its next **Associate Provost**. The College is seeking a collaborative and transparent leader to join a dynamic and responsive Office of Academic Affairs that is focused on Farmingdale State College continuing to be an engine of socioeconomic mobility. The new Associate Provost will join what many describe as the Farmingdale family, where students are the first priority and creative ideas come to fruition.

**The Position:** The Associate Provost reports directly to the Provost and provides vision, leadership, and oversight of select offices and campus initiatives supporting the academic mission of the institution. Serving as the College's liaison to the Middle States Commission on Higher Education, the Associate Provost plays a key role in ensuring the institution's compliance with state and federal regulations. The Associate Provost leads and manages the following academic offices: Academic Advisement and Information Center, Academic Support and Access Programs, Research Aligned Mentorship Program, University in the High School, Institutional Review Board, and the College's Library, including the Center for Teaching, Learning and Technology. In consultation with the Provost, the Associate Provost recommends and monitors all budget allocations associated with the reporting academic offices. As an important member of the Expanded Deans' Council, the Associate Provost will play a critical role in advancing the campus's overall strategic goals and carry out other powers, duties, and responsibilities as may be assigned by the President and the Provost. The portfolio of responsibilities will be aligned with the incoming Associate Provost's strengths; other areas may be incorporated into this position depending upon the background of the successful candidate.

**The Institution:** Farmingdale State College, founded in 1912 and located in the heart of Long Island, is one of the fastest-growing colleges in the region and in the State University of New York system. Farmingdale State College is a thriving institution with robust enrollment, expanding academic programs, new and renovated infrastructure, and excellent student outcomes. With nearly 10,000 students, 801 faculty, and 637 staff, Farmingdale is the largest college of applied science and technology in the SUNY system with a focus on STEM education and equipping students with the knowledge and critical thinking skills sought by contemporary employers. Through its Schools of Business, Health Sciences, Engineering Technology, and Arts and Sciences, the College offers 38 undergraduate degree programs and a Master of Science degree in Technology Management program. Farmingdale is enjoying unprecedented success in introducing new, distinctive programs of study with excellent employment opportunities. About 90% of graduates are employed or attending graduate schools within six months of completing their degrees. The vast majority of those students are working in positions related to their discipline. The Nexus Center for Applied Learning and Career Development is a pioneer in aligning student internships with career goals, the needs of leading regional and national firms, and the mission of the College.

Farmingdale is an increasingly selective institution with over 60% of incoming students identifying the College as their first choice. The College's faculty includes 16 SUNY Distinguished Professors and 71 recipients of the Chancellor's Award for Excellence in Teaching. An extremely successful NCAA Division

III athletics program features some of the region's best facilities. Farmingdale has one of the most diverse student populations within the SUNY system. Its program mix, remarkable outcomes, attractive 380-acre campus, and central location on Long Island have made FSC one of the fastest-growing institutions in the nation. Farmingdale is widely considered a top educational value. A SUNY and regional leader in return on investment, the College ranks in the top 24% of Forbes' "Best Value Colleges" and is recognized among the top 20% of the College Factual's "Best Colleges for the Money." Recently, Farmingdale was ranked among America's 50 Most Transformational Colleges by Money.com based on graduation rates, earnings, and student loan repayment.

**Qualifications:** The successful candidate will have experience in managing a diverse portfolio of administrative units and a demonstrated track record of developing and/or actively participating in the development of academic policy. The ideal candidate will be highly collaborative, communicative, and committed to fostering a culture of transparency and trust within the division and across campus. The next Associate Provost will have excellent interpersonal, written, and verbal communication and a demonstrated commitment to fostering a diverse, equitable, and inclusive working and learning environment. A strong work ethic and an openness to new ideas that benefit the students and the College are desired. Experience working at or knowledge of a public college or university that is part of a multi-campus university system is preferred.

**Location:** Farmingdale State College is located on 380 lush acres in the center of Long Island, situated in Farmingdale, NY, with access to MacArthur Airport and a Long Island Railroad station just a few minutes away. The LIRR provides its riders ready access to three of New York City's five boroughs including Manhattan. Long Island also has more than 200 miles of coastline, with dozens of beaches, boardwalks, and parks available to the public. Bethpage State Park, less than five miles from the College, provides easy access to outdoor recreation, including tennis courts, bridle paths, hiking and biking trails, and five world-class golf courses. Long Island has a vibrant and very active business community, with numerous software companies, specialized manufacturers, and major national and international corporate headquarters such as Henry Schein, Broadridge Financial Solutions, Systemax, Verint, and Canon all within reach. Scientific research plays a significant role in the economy of the Island also, including research facilities at Brookhaven National Laboratory, Cold Spring Harbor Laboratory, and the Plum Island Animal Disease Center, not to mention labs at several prestigious local colleges.

**Application:** Interested candidates should submit only a cover letter and resume to RPA Inc. at [FarmingdaleAssociateProvost@rpainc.org](mailto:FarmingdaleAssociateProvost@rpainc.org). For a confidential discussion about this opportunity or to make a nomination, please contact Kendra Mozug, Search Consultant or Dana John Cohick, President at the email address above. The review of candidates will begin on May 26, 2021, and first round interviews will commence thereafter.

*Farmingdale State College seeks a broad and diverse pool of candidates for this position. The College is an Equal Opportunity/Affirmative Action employer and does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, religion, creed, age, disability, sex, gender identity, sexual orientation, familial status, pregnancy, predisposing genetic characteristics, military status, domestic violence victim status or any other legally protected status.*

