



PROVOST FACULTY FELLOWS PROGRAM

Overview: The Provost Faculty Fellows Program will provide two faculty members annually the opportunity to work on a project of their choosing. Provost Faculty Fellows will choose an initiative they wish to address from a list of university-wide issues identified by the Provost, meet with the Provost and other leaders periodically, and have the opportunity to attend a regional or national leadership development program or conference pertaining to their selected initiative. At the conclusion of the program period, which runs for the duration of the 2018-19 academic year, each Provost Faculty Fellow will prepare a final report and will be expected to maintain a leadership role in the program by mentoring future fellows.

Program Purpose: The Provost Faculty Fellows Program is designed to allow Fort Valley State University (FVSU) faculty to explore senior academic leadership with a focus on instituting meaningful change on a university-wide level while diversifying their range of leadership experiences in the academe. The program assists in the development of specific faculty-guided projects that will develop and strengthen FVSU operations and infrastructure. As part of the program, Fellows will become familiar with and gain experience in such matters as academic initiatives, strategic planning, budget issues, and challenges in higher education. By recruiting the outstanding minds and proven abilities of our exceptional faculty, the program will provide ongoing faculty involvement and input into academic affairs decision-making, as well as increase the faculty understanding of practices and procedures of the FVSU academic administration.

Application Deadline: The application deadline is by the close of business on Friday, April 6, 2018.

Eligibility: The Provost Faculty Fellows Program is open to all full-time, tenured FVSU faculty members.

Compensation: Each Provost Faculty Fellow will receive a \$2,500 stipend to be used toward their selected project or project-related travel. In addition, each Provost Faculty Fellow will receive one course release.

Application Procedure: Eligible faculty members should submit applications to the Office of Academic Affairs as a single PDF document via email to nicholsm@fvsu.edu, and should include the following:

- A letter of interest describing the applicant's interest in the program and their goals for the program period and beyond;
- Current curriculum vitae; and
- A letter of endorsement from the candidate's department chair or dean agreeing to the course release. The course release will be funded through the Academic Affairs Office.

Selection: The Provost, in consultation with the Provost Faculty Fellow Selection Committee, will select the successful candidates based on area of interest, demonstrated leadership potential, and existing needs of the University at the time of selection.

Questions: Questions about the Provost Faculty Fellows may be directed to Mrs. Malinda Nicholson in the Academic Affairs Office at (478) 825-6331 or nicholsm@fvsu.edu.
