

# SAN JOSÉ STATE UNIVERSITY



## Dr. Cynthia Teniente-Matson, President

Dear SJSU Campus Community,

I am pleased to announce that we are launching the search for San José State's next Vice President for Research & Innovation (VPRI) and Dean of the College of Graduate Studies. At the same time, I commend Dr. Marc d'Alarcao for his outstanding service in the interim role, including six years as dean and nearly two years as our interim VPRI.

The Vice President for Research and Innovation and Dean of Graduate Studies is a cabinet-level executive responsible for leading and integrating SJSU's research enterprise, graduate education, and industry ecosystem. This includes leading and implementing strategies to elevate SJSU's R2 research profile and external funding opportunities.

In accordance with University Policy [S16-8](#), Selection and Review of Administrators, this email serves as notice of the intention to appoint a search committee. The scope and procedures of the search will be determined in consultation with the committee. The review committee shall be composed of faculty, students, administrators, and staff. Alumni and community representatives may also serve on the search committee. Interested parties can self-nominate or be nominated by others through the form linked below.

Nominations must include a statement reflecting the individual's interest and qualifications for serving on the review committee. By mutual consent with the Senate Executive Committee, the President shall appoint members from among those who were nominated or applied.

Please note that this [nomination form](#) must be submitted no later than noon on February 9, 2026.

Thank you for your support in this important search process. We look forward to additional campus participation and feedback.

Sincerely,

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