

PRESIDENT LEADERSHIP PROFILE





EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Binghamton University, a public R1 higher education institution with a vibrant and welcoming main campus in Vestal, New York seeks a strategic, inclusive, and engaging leader as the University's eighth president. Named a "Public Ivy" by Forbes, Binghamton is one of four pre-eminent University Centers in the State University of New York system, institutions focused on undergraduate and graduate excellence as well as groundbreaking research.

Consistently ranked among the top 75 universities by *U.S. News & World Report*, Binghamton stands out as one of the most selective public institutions in the nation. Binghamton received 60,000 undergraduate student applications for fall 2025 and approximately 4,000 transfer requests. The University welcomed approximately 3,000 new undergraduate students in the class of 2029. This success stems directly from Binghamton's commitment to higher education for a diverse array of students that combines outstanding graduate education, research, scholarship, and creative endeavors with the best undergraduate programs available at any public university.

The University offers a wide range of undergraduate and graduate degrees across six dynamic schools and colleges: [Harpur College of Arts and Sciences](#), the [College of Community and Public Affairs](#), the [Decker College of Nursing and Health Sciences](#), the [School of Management](#), the [Thomas J. Watson College of Engineering and Applied Science](#), and the [School of Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Sciences](#).

Binghamton students are ambitious, driven, and highly successful. The more

than 14,000 undergraduates boast an average SAT score of 1400. Graduate programs are equally impressive, enrolling about 4,000 students across more than 90 graduate programs. Beyond their talent, students share a desire to shape the future through intellectual exploration, technology, creative activities, and community service. The University's diverse community contributes to its success. Students come from all corners of the United States and 50 nations around the globe, representing an array of life experiences.

Rankings, public perception of Binghamton, and admissions applications are at an all-time high after a series of successes. The conferral of R1 Carnegie Classification status is national recognition of Binghamton's research success. The Johnson City Health Sciences Campus, first funded in 2016 and opened in 2018, has enabled the expansion of the Decker College of Nursing and Health Sciences and the launch of the School of Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Sciences. In 2022, Binghamton brought together five departments to create the new School of the Arts within Harpur College, seeking to anticipate arts trends in the 21st century. The largest comprehensive fundraising campaign in the University's history was completed in 2024, exceeding its stretch goal to raise more than \$260 million. Given these

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achievements and many more, the next president of Binghamton University can build on a strong foundation and lead the campus and its many stakeholders into a bright future.

Specifically, the successful candidate will be expected to develop a new and exciting vision for the University and to elevate its reputation nationally and internationally. The next president will lead a robust fundraising effort, build on recent successes, maintain the supportive environment for which Binghamton is widely known, and deepen relationships with the local community and partners around the globe. In addition, the president must recognize the challenges facing all higher education institutions—enrollment drops, demographic shifts, and the questioning of a college degree among them—and develop a vision and plan for the future of Binghamton that fosters continued success and growth.

Reporting to the chancellor of the SUNY system, the Binghamton University president works closely with the Binghamton University Council and the Binghamton University Foundation Board in implementing a shared vision. Binghamton University also has a strong tradition of shared governance in which the President and a team of exceptional senior leaders work closely with the Faculty Senate, the Faculty Senate Executive Committee, the Professional Staff Senate, the Student Association, and the Graduate Student Organization. Binghamton recently won SUNY's shared governance award for 2024-25.

To submit a nomination or to express personal interest in this position, please see Procedure for Candidacy at the end of this profile.

ROLE OF THE PRESIDENT

The president serves as the chief executive officer of the campus and maintains a publicly visible role both internally and with the external constituency of the University. It is expected that the president will be visible in the higher education and policy communities nationally, as well as an advisor to the chancellor of the State University of New York System. In support of these roles, the University is advised by several formal bodies discussed in the governance section of this document and by numerous other informal groups.

The following vice presidents and senior staff report to and support the president in assuring proper management and oversight of the University:

- Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs and Provost
- Vice President for Advancement
- Vice President for Communications and Marketing
- Vice President for Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion
- Vice President for Operations
- Vice President for Research
- Vice President for Student Affairs
- Chief of Staff
- Chief Sustainability Officer
- Director of Intercollegiate Athletics
- Director and Internal Control Officer
- Campus Auditor
- Faculty Advisor to the President
- University Ombudsman
- Associate University Counsel
- Special Assistant to the President

Binghamton University is a public, R1 university located on a beautiful 930-acre campus in Vestal, New York. Founded in 1946 as Triple Cities College, Binghamton became a four-year institution in 1948 and joined the State University of New York system in 1950, soon after its founding. Binghamton serves more than 18,000 undergraduate and graduate students, is listed as a top 75 university by *US News and World Report* and has been named a Public Ivy by *Forbes*. The Binghamton University President reports to the chancellor of the SUNY system and works closely with the Binghamton University Council and the Binghamton University Foundation Board to develop and implement a vision to lead the institution forward. To help accomplish this overall goal, the next Binghamton President will inherit an extremely talented, close-knit, and experienced senior leadership team.

The president has the following duties and responsibilities:

- Articulating a vision for Binghamton University, uniting the University around its shared mission, and implementing this vision through the management of all institutional affairs.
- Championing and advancing Binghamton's teaching, research, and growth for the enrichment of its students and the betterment of those they serve.

- Providing leadership in recruiting, developing, engaging, and retaining diverse and exceptional faculty, staff, and students, as well as implementing equitable practices and creating an inclusive environment in which they can flourish.
- Promoting a culture of excellence, innovation, collaboration, and respect while maintaining the current positive sense of community among faculty, staff, and students.
- Leading the effort to generate external resources for Binghamton, including private philanthropy, by articulating and championing strategic priorities, cultivating prospective donors, and fostering relationships with friends of the University.
- Representing the institution externally and advocating on its behalf to governmental, political, and SUNY partners in the furtherance of the University's goals.
- Developing and maintaining relationships in the Binghamton, Vestal, and Johnson City communities and the wider region to further economic development for the area and the goals of the institution.
- Serving as the principal external spokesperson for Binghamton, sharing the University's story with a range of audiences in fresh and compelling ways.

OPPORTUNITIES AND EXPECTATIONS FOR LEADERSHIP

Binghamton is in an excellent position to build on its remarkable accomplishments over the past decade. Rankings, public perception of the University, and admissions applications are at an all-time high after achieving a series of milestones. The conferral of R1 Carnegie Classification status for universities with the highest level of research activity, the opening of the Johnson City Health Sciences Campus, the creation of the School for

the Arts, and the successful completion of the recent comprehensive campaign are just some of the University's many achievements. Given these successes, the next president of Binghamton University will have the extraordinary opportunity to build on a robust foundation and lead the campus and its many stakeholders into a bright future. Specifically, the next Binghamton president will be asked to undertake the following:

Develop a new and exciting vision for Binghamton University. There is no doubt that Binghamton has achieved extraordinary success in its relatively brief history. Founded in 1946 as a private college, Binghamton predates the State University of New York System by two years. Binghamton has grown steadily while building upon and strengthening its core values of providing an affordable

and accessible education to the top students in the state, the nation, and the world. Binghamton now competes for students with the most selective institutions in the country. Binghamton's next president will be well-positioned to develop a new and compelling vision for the University. Celebrating the efforts of those who contributed to the University's accomplishments and continuing those programs and projects that led to this success will be critical. In addition, the president must recognize the challenges facing all higher education institutions — enrollment drops, demographic shifts, and the questioning of a college degree among them — and develop a vision and plan for the future of Binghamton that fosters continued achievement and growth.

Maintain the supportive environment on Binghamton's campus. Throughout the conversations held with Binghamton community members as part of the intake process for this search, stakeholder after stakeholder lauded the efforts of the current president, faculty, administrators, staff, and students to create a warm environment at Binghamton. The campus culture the community has created can be characterized as positive, supportive, transparent, and trusting. Especially in this time of change and challenge in higher education, the next Binghamton president must commit to continuing this supportive culture employing a wide range of skills and activities. The next president will also be expected to maintain a safe and inclusive campus.

Elevate the Binghamton University brand. While Binghamton has been able to achieve remarkable success in a brief period, its profile and brand has not necessarily reflected these accomplishments. In 2024, it rose to its highest ranking on the list of *US News and World Report* National Universities in its history: #73. Some of its peers in that section of the ranking include those with much longer histories and higher national profiles. Binghamton has also been named a Public Ivy by *Forbes*. Part of Binghamton's challenge is the fact that it is not a member of a Power-5 conference, and so it misses out on the publicity this garners. In addition,

Binghamton's overwhelmingly New York undergraduate student body means that it does not necessarily receive the word-of-mouth advertising that other institutions do across the country. With all of its accolades, however, Binghamton is well-positioned to elevate its brand and reputation, and the next president must be a capable and willing storyteller to ensure this happens.

Expanding Binghamton's role as an engine of upward social mobility. Binghamton's rise up the ranks of top universities in the US is not limited to its academic achievements and research success. Binghamton has also been recognized nationally for providing greater access to students, especially in New York, and was listed as the 38th best value school on the *U.S. News and World Report* 2025 list of more than 200 of the largest and most high-profile universities in the country. By providing a high-value education at an affordable price — especially for in-state students — Binghamton continues its historic commitment to serving as an engine of upward social mobility for a diverse array of students from low-wealth socioeconomic backgrounds. The next president will be asked to continue this tradition, working with administrators and faculty across campus to continue providing the best possible education America offers at a tuition rate that make it possible for almost any student to pursue their goals.

Helping SUNY achieve its ambitious goal of doubling research. New York State Governor Kathy Hochul and her partners in the NYS Legislature have demonstrated an unambiguous commitment to higher education in the state, significantly raising their investment in SUNY over the past three years. One of their most ambitious goals is for SUNY to double its research expenditures across the system, and the state is investing in the four SUNY University Centers to achieve this goal. By working with state and federal agencies in partnership, for example, Binghamton was named the lead institution in the coalition creating the New Energy New York energy storage and battery research project. The next Binghamton president can build on both the investment by New York and

the university's momentum to continue its research growth across campus and across disciplines, raising not only SUNY's fortunes but the fortunes of the region as well.

Energize alumni engagement and fundraising efforts. As mentioned above, Binghamton enjoyed the success of completing the largest fundraising campaign in its history in 2024. Conversations with stakeholders across the University revealed that many felt that Binghamton could raise even more money than this campaign indicated. Given the size of Binghamton's alumni base, there is significant wealth to be cultivated, only some of which has been identified. In addition, Binghamton's role as an economic engine in the region and a valued educator of highly skilled students, there may be opportunities to partner with more corporations to further their aims as well as those of the campus. The demand for funds will only grow in the future. As Binghamton's research enterprise continues to expand, for example, the need for additional and more advanced equipment, space, funds to attract graduate students, and start-up and retention packages for outstanding faculty will only grow more acute. The next president should feel comfortable fundraising and must lead the effort, in partnership with a new and accomplished vice president for advancement, to garner new and more robust sources of support for Binghamton.

Deepen the relationship with the local community. Binghamton University has had a profound impact on the Binghamton/Vestal/Johnson City community over the course of its history. As manufacturing and other industries have left the region, the University and United Health Services have emerged as the two largest employers, broadening the impact of these two organizations. The next president has the chance to strengthen relationships with the local communities where the University has a presence and to leverage those bonds to continue to elevate the region. One indicator of the University's commitment to this role is its application to become classified as a Carnegie-recognized Community Engagement campus.

PROFESSIONAL QUALIFICATIONS AND PERSONAL QUALITIES

Binghamton University seeks in its new president a leader with a vibrant vision, extraordinary energy, impressive communication skills, and the commitment to excellence needed to inspire the community and lead the University to new levels of recognition and the next phase of its evolution. The new president must be student-centered, relationship-oriented, and dedicated to Binghamton's growth and continued achievement. Specifically, Binghamton seeks candidates with the following qualities and attributes:

- An affinity for and deep commitment to the mission and values of Binghamton University.
- Excellence in administrative leadership at the level of president, provost, and/or other senior administrative position of a major university or equivalent organization, such as a government agency, for-profit company, or national nonprofit organization.
- Successful experience as a strategic and inclusive leader as well as the ability to build strong teams and execute ambitious plans with fiscal responsibility.
- A strong commitment to and active engagement with shared governance.
- Exceptional managerial skills and experience in complex, matrixed organizations with knowledge of public higher education institutions and their specific challenges, and needs.
- A commitment to maintaining and enhancing the supportive, transparent, and inclusive environment that has been created at Binghamton.
- A deep interest in cultivating interpersonal relationships and the ability to energize and inspire students, faculty, staff, parents, alumni, trustees, and external stakeholders.
- Extraordinary communications skills and the capacity to articulate Binghamton's mission and ambitions to all of its essential audiences as well as the ability to advocate for the University to a variety of audiences, including the SUNY system, state government, and federal government representatives.
- An understanding of and commitment to Binghamton's research mission and its continued growth, despite the challenges of the current federal funding environment
- In addition, an appreciation for the importance of maintaining a productive balance between research, high-quality instruction, and a fulfilling student experience as Binghamton continues to grow.
- A commitment to professional and graduate education and relevant experience in growing and strengthening graduate programs and institutions.
- Proven success and interest in fundraising, the capacity to build deep and meaningful relationships with donors, and the ability to lead a comprehensive fundraising campaign in partnership with a dynamic new vice president for advancement.
- A commitment to diversity, equity, and inclusion as well as the leadership skills to create an ongoing sense of belonging at Binghamton and advance diversity efforts.
- An earned doctorate or other terminal degree.



ABOUT BINGHAMTON UNIVERSITY

OVERVIEW

Since its founding in 1946, Binghamton University has built a national reputation for academic quality, innovative research and scholarship, and educational value. The University's excellence is grounded in a stellar undergraduate education, bolstered by cutting-edge graduate programs, a rapidly expanding research enterprise, and a commitment to civic engagement in the local community and across the state.

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Binghamton's 18,000 students are ambitious, driven, and highly successful. The more than 14,000 undergraduates boast an average SAT score of 1400. With a freshman retention rate of 91% and graduation rates of 77% in four years and 82% in five, Binghamton consistently outperforms national averages. Graduate programs are equally impressive, enrolling about 4,000 students across more than 90 graduate programs. In 2022, the University awarded 257 doctoral degrees alone. Beyond their talent, students share a desire to shape the future through intellectual exploration, technology, creative activities, and community service.

The University's diverse campus community contributes to its success. Matriculants come from all corners of the United States and 50 nations around the globe, and represent an array of life experiences, from first-generation collegegoers to international students. The campus is home to 8% out-of-state students, 3% international students, and 19% from underrepresented groups.

Binghamton is in a period of remarkable growth. Since 2012, undergraduate enrollment has increased by 19% and graduate enrollment by 40%. With significant faculty expansion supported by a SUNY-wide hiring initiative, Binghamton has dozens of new faculty members in key research areas and plans to bring on even more in the future. Binghamton currently boasts a Nobel Prize-winning faculty member and recipients of prestigious Guggenheim, Fulbright, and the National Academies awards. To feature its outstanding arts programs and faculty, Binghamton gathered five fine arts departments in 2022 into a new School of the Arts as part of Harpur College. In 2023-24, Binghamton University had \$66.9 million in research expenditures (a five-year increase of

38%), and it is home to four federally funded research centers.

An area of strength for the university has been in career support and outcomes for Binghamton students. Binghamton graduates are working at leading organizations in a variety of industries, pursuing advanced degrees at top graduate programs, starting their own businesses, and serving the greater good through organizations such as the Peace Corps and Teach for America. Career placement has increased significantly over the past 10 years, resulting in Binghamton being ranked in the top 20 for placement for public universities. Overall, 88% of recent Binghamton graduates were placed in jobs or graduate programs six months after graduation, and those placed in jobs earn starting salaries above the national average.

Looking ahead, Binghamton is set to construct a state-of-the-art \$60 million lecture hall and classroom building, slated for completion by fall 2026. The University's financial health is robust, with a 33% increase in legislative appropriations reflecting strong support from elected officials in Albany.

Binghamton's economic development partnerships with the community and state are strong, and the University's New Energy New York project was awarded more than \$113 million to establish a hub for battery technology innovation in upstate New York. The U.S. Economic Development Administration authorized \$63.7 million and New York state added \$50 million for the NENY project. This builds on the University's Nobel Prize-winning faculty member Dr. Stanley Whittingham's revolutionary battery research. Binghamton's educational outreach and service initiatives continue to support local communities. With a growing regional presence, highlighted by the Health Sciences Campus in Johnson City, the University Downtown Center Library, and the Innovative Technologies Complex, the University is well-prepared to build on its role as a leader in higher education.



BINGHAMTON IS IN A PERIOD OF REMARKABLE GROWTH.



Binghamton's nearly 15-acre Health Sciences Campus in Johnson City deserves special attention. The Campus was launched with the new School of Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Sciences in 2018 and the expansion of the Decker College of Nursing. The Decker College established the School of Rehabilitation Sciences and School of Applied Health Sciences in 2019 and shortly thereafter relocated from the main Vestal campus to the Health Sciences Campus after acquiring and expanding the former Endicott Johnson Shoe Factory.

Binghamton University is poised for a bright future, continuing its trajectory of excellence and innovation. The institution's future is guided by a strategic plan — the [Road Map to Premier](#) — that keeps the campus moving forward to achieve its goal of becoming the premier public university of the 21st century.

VISION

Binghamton as an institution is dedicated to higher education, one that combines an international reputation for graduate education, research, scholarship, and creative endeavor with the best undergraduate programs available at any public university.

MISSION

Binghamton University is committed to collaborative transdisciplinary research, inspirational artistic endeavors and high-impact educational experiences within an environment that advances diversity, equity, and inclusion; international perspectives; and community engagement.

VALUES

Our campus values are described through three words — Unity, Identity, and Excellence.

Unity — We are an inclusive community made up of people from diverse backgrounds who come together to learn, discover, and serve. We have developed a common bond — the Binghamton bond — that will be ours for a lifetime.

Identity — We are an academically selective community that shares ideas across departments, disciplines, and borders. We encourage faculty, students, and staff to ask unexpected questions, foster open dialog and develop innovative solutions to important problems.

Excellence — We cannot be all things to all people. However, we pursue our goals with determination, striving for intellectual and personal growth, especially in the face of adversity.

STRATEGIC PLAN

A strategic plan guides Binghamton University — the [Road Map to Premier](#) — that keeps the University moving forward to achieve its goal of becoming the premier public university of the 21st century.

STUDENT LIFE

Binghamton University offers a vibrant and engaging student life that is designed to enhance the overall college experience. The University provides a wide range of activities, organizations, and resources to ensure that students can find their niche and thrive both academically and socially. With over

450 student organizations, including academic clubs, cultural groups, and special interest organizations, there is something for everyone. These organizations provide students with opportunities to develop leadership skills, make lifelong friends, and pursue their passions outside of the classroom.

In addition to student organizations, Binghamton University places a strong emphasis on wellness and recreation. The campus features state-of-the-art fitness facilities, including the East Gym and the Recreation Center, where students can participate in various fitness classes, intramural sports, and outdoor adventures. The University also offers comprehensive health and counseling services to support students' physical and mental well-being. Furthermore, Binghamton's residential life is designed to foster a sense of community and belonging, with various living-learning communities that allow students to connect with peers who share similar interests and academic goals.

Binghamton University's student life is characterized by a rich array of opportunities for personal growth, community engagement, and holistic development. The University's commitment to providing a supportive and dynamic environment ensures that students can make the most of their college experience and prepare for success beyond graduation. To this end, Binghamton [adopted the Okanagan Charter for Health Promoting Universities and Colleges](#) earlier this year, which seeks to foster a culture of health, well-being, and sustainability on campus.

FINANCIALS AND BUDGET

The [2019-2024 Financial Report](#) is the ninth in a series of annual reports informing the campus community about the fiscal status of Binghamton University. The content of this report tabulates and presents campus revenues, expenditures, and enrollment for academic years 2019-20 through 2023-24, with estimates for academic year 2024-25 where possible.

The University is beginning to see some significant changes as it navigates further from the COVID-19 pandemic. One example of this is international graduate student enrollment, which has grown by 500 since the fall 2020 semester. This growth has helped Binghamton maintain a steady enrollment of more than 18,000 students.

The biggest change in the 2024-25 budget is a 28% increase from the previous year in legislative appropriation, which now totals \$70 million. Binghamton received \$6.5 million through a State University of New York program to hire 36 new faculty members during the 2023-24 academic year. Another \$8.6 million from the state is being used to add 46 new staff and 12 additional faculty in 2023-24. Since the fall 2011 semester, full-time tenured and tenure-track faculty (FTTTF) have grown by 233, bringing the total of FTTTF to 704.

Research expenditures are also growing as the University's faculty continue to excel and innovate. The University is projecting that research expenditures

will reach \$71.9 million in 2024-25, a five-year increase of \$25 million (53%). Much of this increase comes from the Build Back Better Regional Challenge and state funding to support the New Energy New York project.

A comprehensive view of this data — expenditures, income, enrollment, hiring and retention — shows that Binghamton is in a strong financial position. The University is also poised to grow in the years ahead. Concluding in June 2024, the University's comprehensive campaign, *EXCELERATE: Moving at the Speed of Binghamton*, surpassed its super goal of \$250 million by June 30, 2024. This goal more than triples what was raised during the previous campaign.

ABOUT THE STATE UNIVERSITY OF NEW YORK

The State University of New York public higher education system comprises 64 college and university campuses, and there is one campus located within 30 miles of every home, school, and business in the state. SUNY is the nation's largest comprehensive system of public higher education, serving more than 1.4 million students annually, employing more than 90,000 faculty and staff, and connecting more than 3 million alumni around the world. SUNY spends \$1.16 billion on research and grants about 96,000 degrees each year. Its annual budget is approximately \$1.4 billion. SUNY's leadership structure consists of a board of trustees, chancellor, system administration senior staff, and campus presidents, each official working together to advance the mission of the state university system:

...to provide to the people of New York educational services of the highest quality, with the broadest possible access, fully representative of all segments of the population in a complete range of academic, professional, and vocational postsecondary programs including such additional

activities in pursuit of these objectives as are necessary or customary.

The chancellor increasingly looks to the campus presidents to work collaboratively with other SUNY colleges, administrators, faculty and staff, and surrounding communities to lower cost, enhance productivity, and elevate the importance of degree completion at each institution.

GOVERNANCE

All 64 SUNY campuses function under the overall authority and responsibility of the university board of trustees. The Board of Trustees delegates administration of the university to the chancellor, who implements University-wide academic, fiscal, personnel, and facilities policies. The chancellor serves as the official liaison between the campuses and the State. Each campus president has overall responsibility, authority, and accountability for the campus. Each

campus devises its own structures, programs, and procedures in alignment with the general goals and policies of the SUNY system and its specific campus mission. Each State-operated campus in the SUNY system has its own College Council, which consists of ten members, nine appointed by the Governor and one elected by and from the students on the campus. The Governor designates one member as Chair. The College Council functions as an advisory board for the president and college. For more information on governance at SUNY Binghamton and across the SUNY system, please visit: [Shared Governance — SUNY](#).

SUNY BOARD OF TRUSTEES

The Board of Trustees is the governing body of the State University of New York. It consists of 18 members, 15 of whom are appointed by the Governor, by and with consent of the New York State Senate. In addition, the President of the Student Assembly serves as student trustee and the Presidents of the College Faculty Senate and Faculty Council of Community Colleges serve as ex officio trustees. The SUNY System is committed to the principles of shared governance.

THE STATE UNIVERSITY OF NEW YORK...COMPRISES 64 COLLEGE AND UNIVERSITY CAMPUSES

LEADERSHIP

JOHN B. KING, JR., CHANCELLOR

John B. King, Jr. is the 15th Chancellor of the State University of New York (SUNY), the largest comprehensive system of public higher education in the United States. As Chancellor, King and the SUNY Board of Trustees have established four pillars to guide SUNY's progress: student success; research and scholarship; diversity, equity, and inclusion; and economic development and upward mobility. Under Chancellor King's leadership, SUNY has seen its largest operating aid increase in five decades, including double-digit percentage increases for every state-operated campus, the first operating aid increase for community colleges in nearly a decade, and dedicated recurring annual funding for expanding mental health services, services for students with disabilities, paid internships, and research, as well as addressing food insecurity. To advance SUNY's goal of an internship experience for every undergraduate and civic mission, Chancellor King has overseen the launch of the Chancellor's Summer Research Excellence

Internship Fund, the NYS FAFSA Completion Corps, the Climate Corps Internship Program, the Veterans' Enrollment and Support Internship Program, and the Empire State Service Corps (providing 500 SUNY undergraduates with the opportunity to engage in paid public service work for 300 hours over the course of a year). In fall of 2023, the System saw its first overall enrollment increase in a decade and hired approximately 700 faculty members across all disciplines at SUNY's State-operated campuses.

Before being appointed SUNY Chancellor, King served as president of The Education Trust, a national civil rights nonprofit, and Professor of the Practice at the University of Maryland College Park. Prior to this, Chancellor King served in President Barack Obama's cabinet as the 10th U.S. Secretary of Education. Upon tapping him to lead the U.S. Department of Education, President Obama called Chancellor



King "an exceptionally talented educator," citing his commitment to "preparing every child for success," and his lifelong dedication to public education as a teacher, principal, and leader of schools and school systems.

His service in Washington, D.C. followed Chancellor

King's tenure as New York State's first African American and first Puerto Rican Education Commissioner, a role in which he oversaw all elementary and secondary schools, as well as public, independent, and proprietary colleges and universities, professional licensure, libraries, museums, and numerous other educational institutions.

Chancellor King holds a Bachelor of Arts in government from Harvard University, a J.D. from Yale Law School, as well as both a Master of Arts in the teaching of social studies and a doctorate in education from Teachers College at Columbia University.





ABOUT BINGHAMTON AND VESTAL, NEW YORK

Binghamton University's main campus is located in the Town of Vestal, just one mile beyond the Binghamton city limits in the Southern Tier of Upstate New York. Binghamton, Endicott, and Johnson City — along with Vestal and a few other suburban towns and villages — make up Greater Binghamton, offering a sophisticated cultural life, lively spectator sports and accessible outdoor recreation. Major employers include United Health Services, Guthrie/Lourdes Hospital, IBM, Lockheed Martin, BAE Systems, and the University itself, one of the largest employers in Greater Binghamton.

Several theaters, a professional opera company, philharmonic orchestras, the Roberson Museum, and the Kopernik Observatory are well supported by the community. The Visions Veterans Memorial Arena, home to the Binghamton Black Bears hockey team in the Federal Prospects Hockey League, also hosts well-attended rock, country, and pop concerts. The Binghamton Rumble Ponies (a double-A affiliate of the NY Mets) play baseball in a downtown stadium. The area also offers restaurants, shopping centers and many urban and wooded parks and picnic areas as well as a rail-to-trail path.

Binghamton is located at the crossroads of I-81, I-88, and NY Rte. 17/I-86, within easy reach of major metropolitan areas. Binghamton is 50 miles (75 minutes) from Ithaca, 72 miles (80 minutes) from Syracuse, 140 miles (2 hours) from Albany, and about 200 miles (3-and-a-half hours) from both New York and Philadelphia. The Greater Binghamton airport offers commercial flights through Delta Airlines.

PROCEDURE FOR CANDIDACY

All applications, nominations, and inquiries are invited. Applications should include, as separate documents, a CV or resume and a letter of interest addressing the themes in this profile.

WittKieffer is assisting Binghamton University in this search. For fullest consideration, candidate materials should be received by May 9.

Application materials should be submitted using WittKieffer's [candidate portal](#).

Nominations and inquiries can be directed to:

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Equal Opportunity/Affirmative Action Employer

The State University of New York is an Equal Opportunity/Affirmative Action Employer. As required by Title IX and its implementing regulations, Binghamton University does not discriminate on the basis of sex in the educational programs and activities which it operates. This requirement extends to employment and admission. Inquiries about sex discrimination may be directed to the University Title IX Coordinator or directly to the Office of Civil Rights (OCR). Contact information for the Title IX Coordinator and OCR, as well as the University's complete Non-Discrimination Notice may be found [here](#).

It is the policy of Binghamton University to provide for and promote equal opportunity employment, compensation, and other terms and conditions of employment without discrimination on the basis of sex, age, race, color, religion, disability, national origin, gender identity or expression, sexual orientation, veteran or military service member status, marital status, domestic violence victim status, genetic predisposition or carrier status, or arrest and/or criminal conviction record unless based upon a bona fide occupational qualification or other exception.

For more information visit the Office of Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion website at binghamton.edu/diversity-equity-inclusion.

