



Position Profile

Chief Global Officer

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THE INSTITUTION



The **University of Utah** is the state's flagship institution of higher education, with 18 schools and colleges, more than 100 undergraduate and 90 graduate degree programs, and an enrollment of more than 32,000 students. In 2019, the university joined the Association of American Universities, an invitation-only, prestigious group of 65 leading research institutions marked by excellence in academic expertise and research impact, student success, and securing resources in support of core missions. A key mission of the university is to build an inclusive community that fosters a sense of belonging and well-being in which every student can thrive.

The university is uniquely situated to offer both unmatched outdoor and exciting urban experiences. While mountain vistas are only a few steps away and vast red-rock desert landscapes are within reach of a scenic afternoon drive, the campus also happens to be located in Salt Lake City, one of the most dynamic and fastest-growing—economically and culturally—metropolises in the U.S.

With ready access to spectacular skiing, mountain biking, and hiking and a vibrant array of cultural, culinary, and entertainment venues, there is a lot going on just beyond the campus boundaries. Yet what's happening within the university's 1,535-acre hillside campus is even more compelling. At the U, as it is affectionately called, you'll find world-class research, education, and clinical care complemented by a lively social, cultural, and athletic campus experience.

An unparalleled work ethic and a spirit of entrepreneurship, collaboration, and community service. These qualities have enabled the U to innovate across many fields and pioneer new programs with social impact; generate pathbreaking discoveries; fuel critical research; and inspire innovative approaches to education.

The U strives to be a model public university in delivering unmatched value in higher education and health care while making social, economic, and cultural contributions that improve the quality of life throughout the state, the nation, and the world. The U's reputation for excellence draws top-tier faculty and attracts motivated students nationally and internationally. Students bring diverse experiences and outlooks – representing traditional and nontraditional students alike – thereby enhancing the exceptional educational experience the U offers.



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Leadership



Ruth V. Watkins became the 16th president of the University of Utah in April 2018 and is focused on ensuring the U builds on its legacy of innovation, discovery, and delivering outstanding value in higher education and health care. Watkins is committed to providing faculty and staff with unwavering support and resources and to enhancing the success of diverse faculty, students, and staff to enrich the educational experiences of all members of the university community.

Before her appointment as president, Dr. Watkins served as senior vice president for Academic Affairs. She has long been an advocate for advancing the success and impact of the U as a top-tier research university, including enhancing student success through degree completion and expanding research and creative activity.

Watkins came to Utah from the University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign, where she spent 20 years in leadership and faculty roles, including associate provost for Undergraduate Education, vice provost and chief of staff, and dean of the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences. She earned master's degree and doctorate degrees at the University of Kansas, where she studied communication development and disabilities in young children.

Daniel A. Reed, senior vice president of Academic Affairs, joined the U in July 2018. Previously he served at the University of Iowa, where he was the institution's vice president for research and economic development, the computational science and bioinformatics chair and a professor of computer science, electrical and computer engineering and medicine.

Reed is a former corporate vice president and technology policy leader at Microsoft, the founding director of the Renaissance Computing Institute at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill and was the director of the National Center for Supercomputing Applications at the University of Illinois. Reed is a member of the National Science Board, which provides advice and oversight for the National Science Foundation. He has served on many national committees and has chaired the board of directors for the Computing Research Association, which represents doctorate-granting computer science departments in North America and currently serves on its government affairs committee.



A graduate of Missouri University of Science and Technology, Reed earned his master's degree and doctorate in computer science from Purdue University.





The Office for Global Engagement

The Office for Global Engagement (OGE) serves as the University of Utah's hub for global programs and connects, informs, and supports the university's international initiatives. OGE comprises 55 staff members, including six directors, and is home to:

- **International Student and Scholar Services** – providing support services for the university's international students and scholars and maintaining compliance with immigration regulations.
- **Learning Abroad** – providing promotion of opportunities, advising, and support for students to participate in international academic experiences abroad and support for faculty to lead programs abroad.
- **Global Learning Initiatives** – providing professional development, funding, and advising for faculty to integrate global learning in the curriculum via the development of global and intercultural learning outcomes and an assessment process.
- **Global Campuses** – providing oversight for the University of Utah Asia Campus in South Korea and coordinating international recruiting programs with undergraduate studies and admissions.
- **Global Risk Management** – providing support services to faculty and students addressing the health and safety risks associated with international travel.
- **Global Programs** – promoting the development of revenue-generating customized training programs for international students, educators, and professionals with a focus on the academic strengths of the University of Utah and the expansion of cross-cultural relationships for the university.

Global U Mission

OGE provides leadership, infrastructure and best practices in support of University of Utah global initiatives. Our mission is to serve as a hub for cross-cultural education, outreach, and scholarship.

Vision

Our vision is to advance transformation learning, scholarship, and cross-cultural collaboration through global engagement.

Core Values

Create Opportunities for Global Learning and Scholarship

Promote Intercultural Competence and Understanding

Make a Difference

Collaborate as a Catalyst for Growth and Change



THE OPPORTUNITY

Chief Global Officer

The Position

The Chief Global Officer is responsible for providing leadership to the Office for Global Engagement and leading the planning and execution of strategic internationalization initiatives. Reporting to the Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs, the Chief Global Officer is a member of the Academic Affairs leadership team.

Qualifications

The ideal candidate should have the following qualifications:

- A terminal degree from an accredited university.
- A minimum of five years of administrative leadership experience in a senior international officer position or comparable academic executive position with demonstrated understanding of and experience with leading and managing a comprehensive international education division.
- A thorough understanding of current issues and trends related to international higher education.
- A demonstrated understanding of and exposure to the leadership and management of international higher education programs and services, including education abroad, international student services, international partnership development, curriculum internationalization, and international student matriculation.
- Demonstrated experience with strategic planning for advancing internationalization.
- Superior oral, written, and interpersonal communication skills and intercultural competence.
- Strong organizational, personnel management, and budget management skills.
- Experience in advocating for and securing resources from internal and external stakeholders including fund and scholarship development.
- Experience in building relationships with key international government agencies.
- Demonstrated experience of successful collaboration with internal and external stakeholders to implement internationalization strategies and programs.
- Demonstrated experience handling crisis situations in an effective manner.
- A demonstrated understanding of and commitment to diversity, equity, and inclusion in international higher education.
- Ability to travel nationally and internationally and experience studying or working internationally.
- Demonstrated experience with and commitment to the promotion of language learning on campus.
- Fluency in a language other than English.
- Active engagement with international education associations, such as NAFA, AIEA, or APLU Commission on International Initiatives.

Personal Attributes

- A high degree of personal integrity and accountability.
- Ability to follow-through on commitments, projects, and collaborations.
- Ability to build strong relationships on campus and with external constituents.
- Creativity, flexibility and the ability to make decisions collaboratively.
- A passion for advancing an understanding of cultural diversity both at the Salt Lake campus and in global initiatives.

Opportunities

- Expand the international student experience streamlining the onboarding process and providing ongoing support throughout their Utah experience.
- Support the active engagement of alumni with the OGE providing additional connection points between students and international alumni.
- Develop new and innovating approaches to global research and scholarship partnerships as part of University of Utah's [Strategy 2025](#) refresh.
- Partner with Enrollment Management on international student recruiting and retention, including transition programs.
- Promote internationalization of curriculum, language learning, and the recruitment of diverse students.
- Partner with colleges to develop certificate programs that ensure student fluency with global issues.
- Enhance the *Learning Abroad* program, broadening both awareness and appeal and position it as an institutional priority. Develop a strategy that allows more students, including first-generation and students from underrepresented backgrounds, to participate.
- Partner with relevant departments and programs to promote language learning on campus.
- Explore the expansion of global campuses. In 2014 a global campus was established in South Korea. The institution has an ongoing interest in the expansion of campuses in other locations including Europe, Africa, and South America.
- Encourage and support the engagement of faculty in global education opportunities. Explore different funding mechanisms including grants, donor development, and internal budget allocations.



PROCEDURE FOR CANDIDACY

Confidential review of applications will begin immediately and continue until the position is filled; **parties who apply by February 2, 2021 will be given first consideration.** Upon application please submit a PDF version of your CV/resume, a letter of interest and a statement that illustrates your experience with and commitment to diversity and inclusion (a maximum of 500 words). All applications and nominations will be held in confidence.

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SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH

Salt Lake City is frequently listed by national magazines and websites as among the “best places to live” due to its recreational opportunities, its business environment, climate, low crime rate, and other factors. Salt Lake City is among the 50 largest metropolitan markets in the United States. Sitting at an elevation of 4,330 feet above sea level, the university is set on the east bench of the Wasatch Mountains, with a sweeping view of the Salt Lake Valley.

The Salt Lake International Airport is just nine minutes from downtown and the valley has good public transportation that includes TRAX, a light rail transit system. TRAX lines connect the campus with the airport and all sections of the Salt Lake Valley.

Salt Lake City has the state’s most diverse population when it comes to race, ethnicity, and faith. One example: More than 90 languages are spoken in the homes of students attending the Salt Lake City School District. Salt Lake is recognized as one of the country’s friendliest LGBTQ cities. The state is known for volunteerism and for openly welcoming refugees.

Salt Lake City also is considered one of the best “foodie” cities in America and is one of “[6 Unexpected Cities That Are Leading the Hyper-Local Food Movement](#)” by Livability.com. Major sports teams are well represented by the NBA’s Utah Jazz, the Triple-A Salt Lake Bees of baseball’s Pacific Coast League, Real Salt Lake of Major League Soccer, and the Utah Royals of the Women’s Professional Soccer League.

Seven world-renowned ski resorts are just 30 minutes from campus. Five National Parks are within a five-hour drive. Golf courses are located throughout the city and hundreds of miles of hiking and biking trails can be accessed just east of campus.

Utah is ideally located in the West, with Las Vegas eight hours due south and Los Angeles a 10-hour drive to the southwest. To the north, Boise is four and a half hours, Denver is eight hours to the east.

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