



POSITION PROFILE

Dean of the College of Chiropractic

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Celebrating 90 Years of Excellence

Logan University marks its 90th anniversary by reflecting on nearly a century of academic excellence, innovation, and community impact. Since its founding in 1935, the university has grown from a small institution into a vibrant, engaging, and dynamic university that continues to shape the future.

Over the past nine decades, Logan's faculty, staff, and students have achieved remarkable milestones, pushed the boundaries of knowledge and made significant contributions to society. Logan alumni have gone on to become leaders in their fields, embodying the values and education they received at Logan.

This milestone is not just a celebration of the past, but a testament to the university's ongoing commitment to excellence and its vision for the future. Looking ahead, Logan remains dedicated to fostering an inclusive and innovative environment where every member of the community can thrive.

ABOUT LOGAN UNIVERSITY

Founded in 1935, Logan University has built a distinguished reputation as one of the nation's leading institutions for chiropractic education while evolving into a comprehensive health sciences university. For the past 90 years, Logan has combined tradition with innovation, preparing students to lead in a rapidly changing healthcare landscape.

Logan's flagship College of Chiropractic (CoC) remains one of the largest and most respected chiropractic programs in North America. The Doctor of Chiropractic program, rooted in evidence-informed practice, hands-on clinical training, and a whole-person approach to care, continues to attract students from across the U.S. and around the world. Through its state-of-the-art health centers, community partnerships and clinical outreach programs, Logan chiropractic students gain robust patient-care experience while serving diverse populations. Logan stands out as a pioneer in advancing specialties such as chiropractic pediatrics and sports science, underscoring its leadership in shaping the profession's future.

In addition to chiropractic programs, Logan has expanded academic offerings through the College of Health Sciences and the upcoming launch of the Physician Assistant Program, reflecting a commitment to educating the next generation of health professionals across disciplines. Current degree programs include:

- Doctor of Chiropractic
- Doctor of Education (EdD) in Health Professions Education
- Master of Science in Health Informatics
- Master of Science in Sports Science & Rehabilitation
- Master of Science in Nutrition & Human Performance
- Master of Science in Applied Nutrition & Dietetics
- Master of Science in Strength and Conditioning
- Master of Science in Chiropractic Pediatrics
- Bachelor of Science in Human Biology
- Bachelor of Science in Life Science





Top 13

in Nutrition*



15

Chiropractic techniques taught



90.7%

aculty with doctoral or terminal degree



12:1

Student-faculty ratio

Logan graduates are recognized for their holistic approach to health and wellness, integrating evidence-based practice with compassionate patient care. With an emphasis on noninvasive, cost-effective, and patient-centered treatment, Logan alumni are prepared to meet the growing demand for integrated health solutions across a variety of settings, from private practice to research, education, athletics, and health systems.

The university's 112-acre wooded campus in Chesterfield, Missouri, offers a serene and beautiful learning environment just outside St. Louis. Named an "Editor's Pick" by MSNBC as one of *America's Most Beautiful College Campuses*, the grounds include innovative and modern learning facilities, advanced health centers, athletic and wellness spaces, and dedicated research resources.

The Logan University community is comprised of a dedicated and caring group of leaders, educators and staff members who show genuine care for each other and a strong commitment to the institution and student well-being. Logan offers an outstanding benefits package to eligible employees, including free chiropractic care.

Today, Logan University stands at the intersection of tradition and progress, continuing to honor its chiropractic roots while broadening its impact across the health sciences. With a dynamic mix of students, faculty, and alumni, Logan is committed to advancing education, research, clinical excellence, and service to the community, preparing leaders who will shape the future of healthcare.

Learn more about Logan University at https://www.logan.edu/about/.









Logan University – Dean of the College of Chiropractic Profile

LEADERSHIP:



Garrett Thompson, DC, PhD President

Dr. Thompson brings more than 20 years of experience in academic and strategic leadership to the role of President and has been recognized as one of the "Top 100 Leaders in Education."

Dr. Thompson earned his bachelor's degree in biology from Reed College and his PhD in biochemistry from Loma Linda University. While serving as an assistant professor at Southern California University of Health Sciences (SCUHS), Dr. Thompson graduated

magna cum laude with his Doctor of Chiropractic degree. He was called back to academia and served as the department chair, and later, as the director of student learning outcomes at SCUHS.

In 2013, Dr. Thompson joined Sonoran University, where he has served in a variety of different roles, including Professor and Dean of Instruction, as well as his most recent position of Vice President of Academic Affairs and chief academic officer.

Over the course of his career, Dr. Thompson has volunteered with the Academy of Integrative Health and Medicine, the Council on Naturopathic Medical Education and the American Holistic Health Association. He most recently completed the Wharton Executive Education program for Executive Presence and Influence: Persuasive Leadership Development.

Throughout his career, Dr. Thompson has been recognized for classroom instruction, pre-clinical teaching and excellence in scholarship.

He has authored more than 40 research papers, studies and poster presentations and has presented on the topics of preparing for accreditation and cultivating excellence to nutritional therapies and enhancing provider self-care practices to achieve health behavior change in patients.



Jana Holwick, PhD
Provost and Chief Academic Officer

Dr. Holwick began her career in academia as chief financial officer and vice president of finance, later transitioning into academic leadership where she has spent the past 12 years working closely with faculty and administrators to advance student success and institutional growth. She has served in prominent leadership positions at institutions, such as Lake Erie College and Life University, bringing extensive expertise in institutional planning, resource development, program evaluation and higher education policy.

Dr. Holwick is a respected voice in accreditation and quality assurance, having served as an Academic Quality Improvement Program (AQIP) and Standard Pathway reviewer for the Higher Learning Commission. In addition, she has contributed as a peer reviewer and councilor for the Council on Chiropractic Education and the Southern Association of Colleges and Universities.

Dr. Holwick earned her PhD in Higher Education Leadership from Capella University, with a focus on enrollment management. She also holds bachelor's and master's degrees in accounting from the University of Missouri-Kansas City and an associate's degree from Cottey College.







THE POSITION

Dean of the College of Chiropractic

The Dean of the College of Chiropractic (CoC) is a high-impact leadership role with the opportunity to shape the future of Logan's flagship program, one of the most respected chiropractic colleges in North America. Reporting to the Provost, the Dean oversees all academic and clinical operations, guiding nearly 100 faculty and 700+ Doctor of Chiropractic students through a tradition-rich, evidence-informed curriculum that includes more than 30 elective techniques - among the most offered by any chiropractic college - along with robust clinical training across Logan's health centers and partner sites. This role calls for a collaborative and unifying leader who will build bridges across campus, strengthen student outcomes, and position Logan to remain competitive in a rapidly changing healthcare and higher education landscape. With a 90-year history of excellence, top-tier, innovative and well-maintained facilities, strong community partnerships, and a dedicated faculty, Logan offers the next Dean the chance to leave a lasting legacy by honoring tradition while driving innovation in chiropractic education and integrated health care.

KEY RESPONSIBILITIES:

Leadership and Strategy:

- Develop and implement strategic and operational plans for the College of Chiropractic, including clinic operations, that align with Logan University's mission, vision, and strategic plan.
- Provide visionary leadership and direction to faculty, staff, and administrators within the College of Chiropractic, CoC Clinic Operations, CoC Resident, and Fellow Education.
- Foster a collaborative and inclusive culture that promotes academic excellence, innovation, and student success.

Academic Affairs:

- Oversee the chiropractic education program's development, delivery, continuous improvement and assessment to ensure high-quality academic standards and compliance with accreditation requirements.
- Collaborate with faculty to promote curriculum development, research initiatives, and continuing education opportunities.
- Ensure effective faculty recruitment, development, and evaluation processes.
- Identify new program offerings for the College of Chiropractic.
- In conjunction with the Dean of Health Sciences and others, provide leadership in the development and/or updating of faculty and staff job descriptions, professional development plans, and evaluation instruments that focus on enhancing student learning, continuous professional growth, scholarship, and support of the institution, and that recognize and reward success in these areas.
- Support the division chairs in establishing their goals, objectives, assessment activities, and priorities in support of the strategic plan of the institution.

- Participate in appropriate college and university ceremonies, programs, task forces, committees, accreditation and program development activities, etc.
- Prepare reports on College activities as requested.
- Other duties as assigned by the Provost.

Academic Success:

- Coordinate with student services departments to support student retention, engagement, and success.
- Promote a supportive and inclusive campus environment that addresses the diverse needs of the student body.

Administration and Operations:

- Manage the budget and resources for the College of Chiropractic ensuring efficient and effective use of funds.
- Oversee administrative functions, including policy development, compliance, and reporting.
- Collaborate with other university leaders to ensure alignment and integration of academic across the institution.
- Engage with the Office of Operational Excellence, Planning, and Learning to ensure successful implementation of strategies and plans that benefit the people and programs within the CoC.

External Relations:

• Represent Logan University and the College of Chiropractic in professional organizations, accreditation bodies, professional licensure related to the CoC, and community engagements.

QUALIFICATIONS:

- **Education:** A terminal degree in chiropractic (DC) or a related field is required. An advanced degree in education, administration, or a related field is preferred.
- Experience: A history of progressive leadership experience in chiropractic higher education.
- Skills and Competencies:
 - o Proven ability to develop and implement strategic plans.
 - o Strong leadership, management, and organizational skills.
 - Excellent interpersonal and communication skills.
 - o Knowledge of accreditation standards and higher education regulations.
 - o Ability to build and maintain effective relationships with internal and external stakeholders.



WHY CONSIDER THE OPPORTUNITY?

- **Strong Foundation.** Logan has a 90-year history of excellence and innovation and is firmly established as one of the most respected names in chiropractic education. The College of Chiropractic is recognized for an evidence-informed curriculum, robust clinical training, and faculty whose depth of expertise and long-standing commitment provide students with a rock-solid foundation for success.
- **New Leadership, New Opportunities.** Logan is entering an exciting chapter under a new President and Provost, whose energy, vision, and focus on integration and innovation create a supportive environment for the next Dean to shape strategic priorities, strengthen collaboration across programs, and enhance the student experience.
- **Significant Impact.** The Dean will lead one of the largest and most respected chiropractic programs in the country, with direct influence over academic quality, curriculum development, faculty engagement, and clinical partnerships. This is an opportunity to build on existing strengths while exploring innovative approaches to education and practice.
- Incredible Campus & Facilities. Logan's 112-acre wooded campus in Chesterfield, Missouri, offers state-of-the-art classrooms, laboratories, clinics, and learning centers, including recent investments in the Fuhr Science Center, an assessment center, and modern health centers. Facilities are consistently updated to match the pace of innovation, giving faculty and students the resources to excel in both teaching and practice.
- Location & Lifestyle. Situated in a safe, welcoming suburb of St. Louis, Logan offers the best of both worlds: an affordable cost of living and outstanding quality of life, paired with easy access to the cultural amenities of a major metropolitan area. The region's balance of professional opportunity and personal well-being makes it an ideal place to live and work.





PROCEDURE FOR CANDIDACY

Confidential review of applications will begin immediately and will continue until the position is filled; parties who apply by **October 19, 2025** will be given first consideration. Please submit a PDF version of your resume and a cover letter explaining your interest in and suitability for this position.

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Logan University strives to be an educational leader that is authentic, intentional and strategic about diversity, fairness and the development of an inclusive campus community. We acknowledge and respect the differences in human experience that shapes and enriches education, healthcare, society and our institution.

It is our expectation that all employees support the mission and vision of the university and carry out their professional duty aligned with Logan University Values: Diversity, Empathy, Student First, Positive Attitude, Evidence Informed, Character and Teamwork.

Logan University does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, gender, religion, national origin, age, disability, sexual orientation, pregnancy, veteran status, genetic information or any other basis prohibited by applicable law. All Logan employees are expected to complete annual compliance training by assigned deadlines.



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CHESTERFIELD

Chesterfield is located 30 minutes west of downtown St. Louis. With more than 49,000 residents, Chesterfield offers cultural and recreational opportunities – it is home to Faust Park and the Missouri Botanical Garden's Butterfly House.

Just minutes from campus, you'll be able to ride your bike to Queeny Park, take a lunch break at Whole Foods or go for a swim at the Jewish Community Center. There are restaurants, shopping and extracurricular activities in Chesterfield Valley.

ST. LOUIS

Logan's campus in Chesterfield puts you within just a few minutes of anything in the St. Louis area:

- Gateway Arch: St. Louis is known as the "Gateway to the West."
- **St. Louis Sports**: This city boasts professional sports at Busch Stadium (St. Louis Cardinals Baseball) and the Scottrade Center (St. Louis Blues Hockey).
- Forest Park: 1,371 acres of land provides opportunities for bike riding, jogging, playing tennis and golfing. Education and relaxation can be found at the St. Louis Art Museum, St. Louis History Museum or St. Louis Science Center.
- **St. Louis Zoo**: One of the few free zoos in the nation. Free parking and free admission provides you with the opportunity to see more than 19,000 wild animals on 90 acres.
- **Missouri Botanical Gardens:** Founded in 1859, the 79-acre Missouri Botanical Garden is the nation's oldest botanical garden in continuous operation and an oasis in the city of St. Louis.
- **City Museum:** This kid-friendly city museum provides 600,000 square feet of adventure and fun in an indoor/outdoor playground.