The Board of Trustees of the City University of New York (CUNY) and the Presidential Search Committee of Queens College invite nominations and applications for the position of President.

A senior college within The City University of New York, Queens College enrolls approximately 20,000 students from more than 130 nations and is one of the United States’ most culturally diverse colleges. Queens College celebrates diversity and fosters an inclusive environment for its students, staff and faculty. For over 40% of the student body English is not their native tongue.

Founded in 1937, Queens College is located on an 80-acre, tree-lined campus in a residential area of Flushing in the borough of Queens. The College boasts state-of-the-art computer and science laboratories, a spectacular music building, the six-story Rosenthal Library and its first residence hall, The Summit, which opened in 2009. U.S. News & World Report Best Colleges (2014) named Queens one of the 10 best Public Regional Universities in the north because of the quality of its many undergraduate and graduate programs, the College placed 2nd on Washington Monthly’s (2013) “Best Bang for the Buck” rankings and first among all American Public Universities.

The college has 618 full-time faculty, 1102 adjunct faculty and an annual budget of over $140 million. Queens faculty have received national recognition and funding from prestigious organizations to further their research, teaching and service activities. More than 130 different degree programs are offered across four academic divisions including Arts and Humanities, Mathematics and the Natural Sciences, the Social Sciences, and Education.

The President serves as chief academic and administrative officer of the college, under the general direction of the CUNY Chancellor, according to policies set by the Board of Trustees.

Preferred qualifications for the position include:

- An earned doctorate or professional equivalent, university-level teaching experience, and a substantial record of scholarly research and/or professional achievement.
- Senior-level administrative experience in a higher education institution, preferably in an urban location.
- Strong external skills with the ability to represent Queens to multiple local, national, and international constituencies, including alumni, the business community, and legislative and other governmental bodies.
- A collaborative and creative leadership style that emphasizes consultation and open communication with faculty, senior administrators, students and community members in an environment of shared governance.
- A commitment to student learning and high academic standards. Experience in a public, urban higher education institution in a multi-cultural, multi-ethnic city would be a positive.
- The ability to recruit and retain excellent faculty and a commitment to supporting faculty in their research and scholarly endeavors.
- A strong record of success in attracting financial support for an organization from foundations, corporations, governmental sources and private donors.

The position is available on or before September 1, 2014. Initial screening of applicants will begin immediately and continue until the position is filled. Submission of applications and nominations is encouraged by March 15, 2014.

Applications and Nominations: Applicants should send (1) a letter expressing their interest in the position that addresses how they meet the Search Committee’s preferred qualifications, (2) their curriculum vitae, and (3) the names of eight references (two each: superiors, subordinates, faculty members, and community/business leaders). References will not be contacted without the applicant's prior permission. Nominators should send a letter of nomination and, if possible, the nominee’s curriculum vitae.

Applications and nominations should be sent electronically to: Queens College Presidential Search at queenscollege@heidrick.com AND executivesearch@cuny.edu.

For additional information: Please contact Ms. Ellen Brown Landers, Ms. Tracie Smith and Mr. Nat Sutton at Heidrick & Struggles (404-682-7316 or queenscollege@heidrick.com), or Ms. Mahlet Tsegaye, Office of Executive Search/CUNY (executivesearch@cuny.edu, or 205 East 42nd Street, 11th Floor, New York, NY 10017). Please visit Queens College on its website at www.qc.cuny.edu for additional information. All inquiries, nominations, and applications will be held in the strictest of confidence.

CUNY is an EO/AA/IRCA/ADA Employer with a strong commitment to racial, cultural and ethnic diversity. The Search Committee actively seeks and encourages nominations and applications from men and women of all races and ethnic backgrounds.