



Office of the President

Dear students, faculty, and staff,

Following the news of Myron Frans' upcoming retirement, I'm writing today to announce the launch of a national search for the next [senior vice president for finance and operations](#) at the University of Minnesota.

The senior vice president provides leadership for systemwide financial and operational offices including Information Technology, Investments and Banking, University Budget, University Finance, University Services, Public Safety, and Health, Safety, & Risk Management. All of these offices contribute to fulfilling our mission and support MPact 2025, our systemwide strategic plan.

I'm pleased to share that Executive Vice President and Provost Rachel Croson, and Vice President for Human Resources Ken Horstman have agreed to serve as co-chairs of the search committee. We seek to construct a committee that is broadly representative of our University community. We welcome your nominations for individuals to serve on this search committee, which can be submitted via this [nomination form](#) by 9am, Monday, February 19.

We plan to announce the full search committee in the coming weeks and we intend to utilize a search firm to assist us in recruiting a broad and diverse candidate pool. We are committed to a transparent process. A search website will be created and updated to share information with University stakeholders. Additionally, we will be seeking input from the community widely through public engagement sessions with finalists. Finally, as the presidential search timeline progresses, I plan to consult with the president-designate in the final stages of the hiring process for the senior vice president.

My thanks again to Senior Vice President Myron Frans for his leadership and continued service at the University of Minnesota.

Sincerely,

Jeff Ettinger

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