

General Counsel Position Announcement

Eastern Illinois University is seeking an attorney to serve as the University's in-house legal counsel and to advise all administrators, faculty, and staff, as necessary, on all matters having legal implications for the University. This position reports to the President of the University, acts as their advisor in all matters of a legal nature, and represents the University's interests. The General Counsel also serves as the University's Ethics Officer. A Juris Doctor (JD) Degree from an accredited law school and the ability to receive an Illinois Bar licensure, is required. Experience in higher education and/or labor relations preferred. Demonstrated commitment to diversity and experience with promoting inclusive excellence is required.

A complete application includes a letter of application, resume or CV, university transcripts and the names and contact information of five professional references. Applications must be submitted electronically to: http://apply.interfolio.com/118966. Questions regarding the search may be directed to Matt Bierman, Search Committee Chair, at mjbierman@eiu.edu. Review of applications begins immediately. Applications will be accepted until the position is filled however preference will be given to applications submitted by the time oncampus interviews are scheduled.

Diversity and Inclusion: Eastern Illinois University is committed to fostering a learning community where all members feel welcomed and valued. The university provides equality of opportunity in all areas of campus life and we strive to recognize and appreciate the unique value of our students, faculty, and staff. Every member of campus has the right to learn and work in an environment free of discrimination and harassment, and beyond that, our goal is for all members of our community to develop a strong sense of belonging to Eastern Illinois University.

The University and Community: Eastern Illinois University takes pride in creating a warm, welcome environment for all faculty, staff and students. Established in 1895, EIU boasts a rich, tradition of preparing students for their personal and professional goals. A traditional regional residential institution, EIU offers a superior education at a relatively low cost while consistently earning high rankings and distinctions for its affordability, academic program quality, career placement rates, campus safety, online degree options, student support, and sustainability initiatives. EIU focuses on individualized attention and superior student relationships, and has earned recognition as the highest-ranking independent public regional university in Illinois and a place among the Midwest's top public regional universities according to *U.S. News and World Report*. Eastern offers faculty a wide range of research and public service activities. EIU hosts more than 175 student organizations on campus, and offers a variety of cultural events, NCAA Division I athletics, and active research opportunities for its students to enjoy and to thrive. EIU has become recognized for providing the resources of a large institution while creating the kinds of individual relationships that support student and alumni success.

The University is located in East Central Illinois, combines the benefits of a community of 20,000 with access to several large cities, including Chicago, St. Louis, and Indianapolis.

Eastern Illinois University is an Affirmative Action/ Equal Opportunity Employer – minority/female/disability/veteran – committed to achieving a diverse community.