

As noted in our Strategic Plan, in order for Iowa State to continue to excel as a leading research university we must recruit, support and retain students, faculty and staff who are committed to excellence, integrity, collaboration and the free exchange of ideas. We believe that it is imperative that the creation, sharing and application of knowledge be a global effort characterized by a profound respect for the diversity of people and ideas.

Diversity ensures that Iowa State University will have the best qualified faculty available to teach, conduct research and extend the reach of the university to the broader community. Diversity validates social learning models that advance excellence in research and problem solving while always fostering new ideas.

As a university community, we recognize that our greatest responsibility is to influence and nurture leaders for the 21st century. Our community is responsible for leading by example in valuing differences and demonstrating inclusion throughout Iowa State University.

Diversity is an Iowa State University priority as we seek to build a collaborative and inclusive campus environment for all. Our efforts to enhance diversity broadly defined include support for issues related to work-life balance as well as support for dual career professionals.

Sincerely,

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