

The University of South Carolina (USC) is pleased to announce its search for the next director of the School of Hospitality and Tourism Management (HTMT). The new director will be an energetic and enterprising academic leader who will embody and promote both academic excellence and a culture of collaboration, inclusion, mentorship, and innovation.

The School of HTMT is based in USC's College of Hospitality, Retail and Sport Management (HRSM) and has a reputation for success in world-class research, student placement rates, and industry partnerships. Additionally, the school enjoys a record of financial stability, impressive global and national rankings, and faculty and staff committed to diversity, inclusion, and student success. The School of HTMT is dedicated to preparing the next generation of leaders in hospitality and tourism industries that connect cultures, inspire adventure, strengthen global economies, and enrich people's lives. In addition to education excellence, the School advances its field through innovative research and initiatives that support the industry in meeting social, economic, and environmental goals.

The director of the School of HTMT reports to the dean of the College of HRSM and works collaboratively with administrators and faculty of all HRSM departments to ensure the School's educational programs are administered in accordance with educational policies and institutional standards.

The successful candidate for the director of the School of HTMT shall demonstrate all these required qualifications: an earned doctorate in hospitality and/or tourism management, or closely related discipline from an accredited institution, as well as primary teaching and research interest in HTMT; a distinguished record of scholarly and professional achievement that will qualify them to be appointed with tenure at the rank of professor; academic leadership experience in a department, program or other significant academic administrative role that includes responsibilities for curriculum, personnel, budgeting, and planning; familiarity with and enthusiasm for the unique academic areas and industries that HTMT represents; demonstrated experience in grant-seeking and grant management from both public and private sources; a demonstrable commitment to both undergraduate and graduate education in hospitality and tourism management; and demonstrated commitment to promoting diversity, equity, and inclusion.

Preferred attributes and additional information about the position, the School of HTMT and the USC can be found in the leadership profile: <https://www.agbsearch.com/searches/director-of-the-school-of-hospitality-and-tourism-management-the-university-of-south>

AGB Search is pleased to assist USC with this leadership search. To apply for the director, School of HTMT position, candidates are requested to submit the following: (i) a resumé or curriculum vitae; (ii) a letter of interest that addresses specifically how the candidate's experiences and qualifications intersect with USC's qualifications and priorities as identified in this profile; and (iii) contact information for five references (to be contacted with the candidate's permission at a later date). For best consideration, applications should be submitted by **January 5, 2024**, to the AGB Search portal at: bit.ly/45Zx4NA. The search will remain open until an appointment is made. Nominations and expressions of interest in the director of the School of HTMT are encouraged. Please direct them to USCDirectorHTMT@agbsearch.com or to the AGB search consultants listed below:

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