Provost's Office Update Academic Year 2024-25



Background & Career Highlights

Recent leadership positions

- 2024-Current: Provost and Executive Vice President, Washington State University
- 11/21-2024: Dean, College of Education and Human Development, University of Missouri
- 1/19-11/21: Associate Provost of Faculty Affairs and Institutional Effectiveness, University of Missouri
- 6/13-1/19: Department Chair, Department of Educational, School and Counseling Psychology, University of Missouri

Recent academic positions

- 2024-Current: Professor with tenure, Department of Education, Washington State University
- 2011-2024: Associate Professor and Professor with tenure, Department of Educational, School and Counseling Psychology, University of Missouri

Representative achievements at the University of Missouri

- 2021-2023: Led the largest faculty expansion in the history of the College of Education and Human Development
- 2021-2023: Increased total research expenditures from \$23 million in FY21 to \$36.6 million in FY23
- 2019-2021: Developed the framework for the \$1.5 billion Mizzou Forward Initiative

Education

- 1999: Ph.D. in School Psychology, Syracuse University
- 1996: M.A. in Psychology, Syracuse University
- 1994: B.A. in Psychology and Philosophy, Ithaca College

T. Chris Riley-Tillman

Joining Washington State

"The reality is that most land-grants aren't able to adequately serve all students in a meaningful manner across their entire state because they have one central campus," Riley-Tillman said. "If you were remaking a land-grant university system today, you'd do what WSU has done in putting campuses in Everett, Pullman, Spokane, Tri-Cities, and Vancouver with online options via WSU Global. What WSU did by truly embracing one faculty and one degree was very forward-thinking and made it a uniquely positioned institution."









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Looking ahead for AY24-25

System-wide engagement

Commitment to fostering collaboration and communication across all levels of the institution to strengthen partnerships, develop transparency, foster innovation, and achieve strategic goals.

Modern and adaptive efficiency management

Committed to the Provost's Office adopting a strategic approach to optimize resources, improve processes, and enhance overall functionality within faculty and academic affairs.

Academic Affairs Program Optimization

Through data-informed decision-making, the optimization process will support high-quality educational and research programs, improve WSU's overall financial health, and ensure continued institutional mission fulfillment. The primary goal is to ensure that departments, schools, and colleges reporting to the Provost have identified priorities that can be evaluated annually.

Workload standards and policies

Workload policies provide institution-wide definitions of faculty effort in terms of full-time equivalency (FTE). In 2021, the American Council on Education documented the benefits of having an explicit workload policy, largely surrounding equity. This effort is also responsive to the 2022 COACHE faculty satisfaction survey.

Questions? Thank you!

