Position Description

Senior Vice Provost for Research and Vice President for Technology Transfer, Intellectual Property, and Research Policy

This position combines two related roles:

The **Senior Vice Provost for Research**, reporting to the Provost, heads the Research Division (https://research.cornell.edu/) on the Ithaca campus, the mission of which is to advance and support Cornell research by advocating for Cornell research within the institution and with external agencies, sponsors, and governmental representatives; facilitating and providing unique and specialized research facilities and services; providing campus-wide research administration support services; furthering major interdisciplinary research initiatives; promoting entrepreneurship and technology commercialization; and overseeing programs and policies, including compliance related matters, to ensure integrity and uphold the principles of Cornell research for public benefit.

- An important focus of the senior vice provost is on identifying and promoting innovative, cross-cutting research, both faculty-initiated and driven by emerging external opportunities, including research opportunities that foster collaboration among Cornell's campuses: Ithaca, Weill Cornell Medicine, and Cornell Tech
- Additionally the senior vice provost plays a broad external role by, for example, working with federal agencies in identifying research priorities and setting research policy as well as by establishing collaborative research partnerships with industry and with government agencies

Ithaca-campus based units reporting to the senior vice provost for research:

- Approximately twenty institutional research facilities, centers and institutes (and their supporting finance, human resources and other administrative functions)
    - Including two national research facilities, and five centers/institutes providing the campus with major interdisciplinary core/shared facilities

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- University-wide research administration support functions
    - Office of Sponsored Programs
    - Research Administration Information Services
    - Office of Research Integrity and Assurance
    - Cornell Research Communications
- Center for Animal Resources and Education
- McGovern Center for Venture Development in the Life Sciences
- Facilities management of the Physical Sciences Building, Clark Hall, and Weill Hall

The **Vice President for Technology Transfer, Intellectual Property, and Research Policy,** reporting to the president, is part of the university's senior leadership team and has full responsibility and accountability for all issues associated with technology transfer, intellectual property, and research policy across all campuses of the university.

The primary unit reporting to the vice president is the Center for Technology Licensing (http://www.ctl.cornell.edu/) , which manages university-created and owned technologies for the Ithaca campus, Weill Cornell Medicine, Cornell Tech, and the New York State Agricultural Experiment Station in Geneva. Its mission is to support the university's researchers and entrepreneurs to bring scientific discoveries, technological innovations, medical advances, and new products and companies to the marketplace for societal benefit and to foster economic development within New York State and across the nation.

Technology transfer staff on all campuses report to the vice president. The vice president is also responsible, in collaboration with the Provost and the Provost for Medical Affairs, for developing and implementing research policy for all Cornell campuses. The president, in collaboration with the vice president and provosts, establishes Cornell's annual goals for technology transfer, IP, and research policy for all campuses; the vice president is accountable for achieving these goals.

Preferred qualifications:

- Capacity for proactive leadership to advance the quantity, value, and impact of Cornell research, innovation, and technology transfer, to the benefit of the university and the public
- Experience in working with government agencies and industry to identify research priorities, set research policy, and establish collaborative research partnerships
- A proven leader with a record of successful administrative experience and personnel management with multiple areas of responsibility
- A broad understanding of the research and scholarship in different disciplines on Cornell's campuses
- Ability to work effectively and collaboratively with individuals and offices across the university
- A distinguished and successful research and external funding record
- A well-developed understanding of research funding mechanisms, research integrity issues, Cornell research policies, technology transfer, and intellectual property