Christine Riordan became provost of the University of Kentucky in July 2013. As UK’s chief academic officer, Riordan oversees the development of the university’s six-year strategic plan and a new financial model, which together will guide the institution’s academic and fiscal development for years to come.

Before assuming the role of Provost, she served as Dean of the Daniels College of Business at the University of Denver, from July 2008 to June 2013. As Dean, she led a business operation of more than $86 million and a global network of more than 33,000 faculty, staff, students and alumni. Under Riordan’s leadership, BusinessWeek, U.S. News & World Report, The Aspen Institute’s Beyond Grey Pinstripes and the Financial Times ranked Daniels among the top business schools in the world.

Riordan has a national reputation as a leadership development and workplace diversity expert. She has been interviewed and has written articles for national media, including Financial Times, Harvard Business Review, Forbes, USA Today, U.S. News & World Report, The New York Times, International Herald Tribune, Huffington Post, MSNBC, CNN, CNBC, Wall Street Journal MarketWatch, CareerBuilder and Psychology Today. She also has 29 academic articles with more than 2,200 citations of her research.
Office of the Provost Mission

The Office of the Provost is dedicated to enhancing the academic excellence, brand and reputation of the University of Kentucky. This involves cultivating strong and long-lasting partnerships with the campus community and fostering a culture of continuous improvement, trust and transparency, collaboration, diversity and inclusion. The Office of the Provost is a resource for colleges, deans, students, faculty and staff at the University of Kentucky.


University of Kentucky Mission and Values

The University of Kentucky is a public, land-grant university dedicated to improving people’s lives through excellence in education, research and creative work, service and health care. As Kentucky’s flagship institution, the University plays a critical leadership role by promoting diversity, inclusion, economic development and human well-being.

The University of Kentucky is guided by its core values:

- Integrity
- Excellence
- Mutual respect and human dignity
- Diversity and inclusion
- Academic freedom
- Personal and institutional responsibility and accountability
- Shared governance
- A sense of community
- Work-life sensitivity
- Civic engagement
- Social responsibility
Provost’s Leadership Team

SUSAN CARVALHO
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Chief of Staff

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Senior Vice Provost for Academic Planning Analytics & Technologies

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Associate Provost for Faculty Advancement

KIRSTEN TURNER
Executive Director of University Strategic Planning

BENJAMIN WITHERS
Interim Associate Provost for Undergraduate Education

DONALD E. WITT II
Associate Provost for Enrollment Management
$67 million federally funded
$178 million federally funded
$78 million state funded
$16 million industry funded
$15 million other sponsors

$354 million total research expenditures

Markey Cancer Center is Kentucky’s only NCI-designated cancer institute

more than 12,300 full-time employees

$27 million for Libraries

All data reflects 2013-14 figures
1/2 of resident students graduate without debt.

85% of resident undergrads receive financial aid.

More than 29,000 students.

83% retention rate.

Provost’s Office Annual Budget

$976 million

$73 million for Student Success

176 National Merit Scholars
Colleges

- Agriculture, Food and Environment
- Arts & Sciences
- Business and Economics
- Communication and Information
- Dentistry
- Design
- Education
- Engineering
- Fine Arts
- Graduate School
- Health Sciences
- Law
- Libraries
- Medicine
- Nursing
- Pharmacy
- Public Health
- Social Work

Supported Centers

- Markey Cancer Center
- Center for Clinical and Translational Science
- Center for Interprofessional Health Care Education, Research and Practice
- Center for Health Services Research