



Director, Community Engagement

The Director, Community Engagement is responsible for working with Board leadership and the Regents to develop the Board's strategic plan for community engagement and government relations. Serves as a liaison with local, state, tribal, federal governments, school districts and non-governmental organizations working directly with officials and their staff to build and foster positive relationships for the Board and its universities. This position reports to the Vice President, Government Affairs and Community Relations.

The Director, Community Engagement works with government officials and non-governmental organizations to develop and maintain strong public relationships. Participates in proactive programming to advocate and support the Board's mission and to preserve and enhance funding opportunities. Provides strategic support and guidance related to external and community affairs including outreach and regent involvement with various stakeholder groups in education, government, business, and community and trade associations.

The Director, Community Engagement maintains awareness of laws, regulations, pending legislation and ballot initiatives, as well as political, economic, and social trends and changes that may affect or potentially impact the Board or its universities. The Director, Community Engagement is responsible for conducting research on current and emerging issues including the development of position papers, fact sheets and preparation of testimony before councils/commissions as needed. The Director, Community Engagement will identify and facilitate opportunities for the Board's leadership to participate on community boards and organizations. Will represent the Board's interests to policymakers, trade and community organizations and external audiences to strengthen its position and support. Will work collaboratively with the Board's communications team to develop strategies to maximize engagement with community partners.

Minimum qualifications a Bachelor's degree in a related field and three years of experience or any equivalent combination of experience and/or education from which comparable knowledge, skill, and abilities have been achieved.

The successful candidate will demonstrate knowledge of relevant policy issues and political dynamics in Arizona, possess existing professional relationships with Arizona elected officials and their staff. Experience in quickly responding to changing priorities and working with individuals of diverse political thought.

This is a full-time position with health and dental benefits. This position will be eligible for retirement program. Tuition reduction benefits to Arizona public universities are available to employee and their dependents.

Applicants should send cover letter, resume and the names and contact information of three professional references who are able to speak to the qualifications listed above to: hr@azregents.edu or Arizona Board of Regents • 2700 North Central Avenue, Suite 400 • Phoenix, Arizona 85004. The review of applicants will begin immediately.

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