

## Saunders to Visit UWF on 24- and 25-Oct-2012

HATTIESBURG – Word from the campus of the University of West Florida is that former USM president (2007-12) Martha Saunders, now one of three finalists to fill the provost opening at UWF, is scheduled to visit the Pensacola-based campus on 24- and 25-Oct-2012 (see interview schedule insert below). The other two finalists, Brenda Nichols of Lamar University, and Ralph Rascati of Kennesaw State University, are scheduled to visit UWF on 1- and 2-Nov-2012 and 5- and 6-Nov-2012. The final decision is expected to be made on 9-Nov-2012.

Mon, Oct. 22	Administrative Staff: <a href="#">Schedule On-campus Interviews</a>
Wed, Oct. 24 & Thu, Oct. 25	On-Campus Interview - Dr. Martha Saunders
Thu, Nov. 1 & Fri, Nov. 2	On-Campus Interview - Dr. Brenda Nichols
Mon, Nov. 5 & Tue, Nov. 6	On-Campus Interview - Dr. Ralph Rascati
Fri, Nov. 9, 9-11 a.m. ALUMNI ROOM	SEARCH COMMITTEE MEETING #5: Finalize Recommendation for President
Jan / Feb 2013	Proposed Start Date

The insert below shows that Saunders’ day on 24-Oct-2012 at UWF begins at 9:00 am, with a meeting with the UWF Deans Council, and ends at 4:00 pm, after an hour long open forum and reception.

**Candidates - UWF Provost**

The University of West Florida Provost search committee has identified three finalists for the position of Provost and Vice President of Academic Affairs.

**List of Provost Finalists with On-site Interview Dates/Times:**

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**Dr. Martha Saunders**



**October 24**

9:00-9:50 am Deans Council in Bldg 12, Alumni Room

10:00-10:50 am Senior Administrators in Bldg 10, Downstairs Conference Room 131

11:30-12:45 pm Deans in Bldg 10, Upstairs Conference Room 224

1:00-1:45 pm Faculty Senate Executive Committee in Bldg 10, Downstairs Conference Room 131

3:00-4:00 pm Open Forum and Reception in Bldg 12, Alumni Room 150

**October 25**

9:00-9:50 am College Councils in Bldg 12, Alumni Room #150

11:00-11:50 am United Faculty of Florida and Faculty in Bldg 12, Alumni Room #150

1:00-1:50 pm Centers & Institutes in Bldg 10, Downstairs Conf. Room #131

3:30-4:30 pm Search Committee Interview in Bldg 12, Alumni Room #150

6:00-8:00 pm President's Cabinet at Jackson's Restaurant, Pensacola

[Curriculum Vitae \(PDF\)](#)

Saunders’ day on 25-Oct-2012 on the UWF campus also begins at 9:00 am, with a meeting with the College Councils. The afternoon ends with a one-hour meeting with the UWF provost

search committee. The final activity of Saunders' 24- and 25-Oct-2012 interview is a dinner with the UWF President's Cabinet at Jackson's Restaurant in Pensacola.



USMNEWS.net editorialists informed the USMNEWS.net newsroom that the recent investigative report series on *Idgroup*, the Pensacola-based consulting company run by long-time Saunders friend Mona Amodeo, contained receipts for meals at Jackson's. As long-time USMNEWS.net readers will recall, Amodeo's company was on the receiving end of contracts with USM during Saunders' presidency totaling almost \$1 million. Sources say that there is little doubt that Amodeo is working hard on Saunders' behalf to secure the provost position at UWF for her (Amodeo's) long-time friend (Saunders).