

## What's up with Former Provost Bob Lyman?

When usmnews.net sees a pattern in searches, there is usually something up. Typically, someone is looking to depart Southern Miss. Recently, we began to see searches like the following:

**University Of Illinois (130.126.234.161)** [[Label IP Address](#)]



**Urbana, Illinois, United States**

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3 Jul	13:24:28	<a href="http://www.usmnews.net/">www.usmnews.net/</a>
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The only opening at the University of Illinois that popped up as being of potential interest to Dr. Lyman was the following:

Title:

President

Job Category:

Academic Professional

Location:

Urbana and/or Chicago

Description:

**President**

**University of Illinois**

The Board of Trustees of the University of Illinois announces a search for President of the University, the appointment to be effective July 1, 2015, or as designated by the Board. The President of the University leads an academic community with a strong and proud tradition of excellence in teaching, research, public service and economic development.

Established in 1867 as the public land-grant university of the State of Illinois, the University of Illinois has achieved international recognition as a center of higher learning. The University is a long-time member of the Association of American Universities. Now with campuses in Urbana-Champaign, Chicago and Springfield, including a major health sciences center in Chicago, the University's reach is extensive. The three campuses offer a broad range of options for students from Illinois, from across the nation and from around the world. Distinguished faculty teach with passion; their discoveries and creative works enrich society at large. The University enrolls some 52,000 undergraduate, 21,500 graduate and 3,800 professional program students; and 5,800 faculty and 17,000 staff contribute to the work of the

University. More than 650,000 alumni hold University of Illinois degrees. The President oversees an annual budget of \$5.4 billion, made up of extensive Federal research funding, gifts from alumni and friends, and support from the people of the State of Illinois.

A presidential search committee composed of trustees, faculty and staff members, alumni, and students is seeking an outstanding candidate. Nominations, applications, and expressions of interest are being solicited. Parker Executive Search is assisting the University with the search; nominations, materials and correspondence should be directed electronically to [pwilliams@parkersearch.com](mailto:pwilliams@parkersearch.com). For full consideration, application materials should be submitted by Sept. 8, 2014.

For any questions or to discuss the position, please contact:

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Given his disastrous tenure as Provost at Southern Miss, including being [forced out](#) for his role in [Tablegate](#), is it possible that he is looking to move up and out?

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**Research Interests**

Child clinical psychology

**Current Teaching**

Child Psychology (PSY 270)

Research Methods (PSY 361)

Dr. Lyman will **not** be accepting a graduate student for Fall 2014 admissions.