

Approved by the Board of Trustees  
May 20, 2021

Board Meeting  
May 21, 2021

APPOINT ACTING PROVOST AND VICE CHANCELLOR FOR ACADEMIC  
AFFAIRS, CHICAGO

**Action:** Appoint Acting Provost and Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs

**Funding:** State Appropriated Funds

The Chancellor, University of Illinois Chicago, and Vice President, University of Illinois System recommends the appointment of Karen J. Colley, presently Dean of the Graduate College and Professor of Biochemistry and Molecular Genetics, College of Medicine at Chicago, as Acting Provost and Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs, University of Illinois Chicago, non-tenured, on a twelve-month service basis, on zero percent time, with a monthly administrative increment of \$7,000, beginning May 24, 2021.

Dr. Colley will continue to hold the position of Dean of the Graduate College, non-tenured, on a twelve-month service basis, on 80 percent time, at an annual salary of \$185,640, with an administrative increment of \$41,302; and the rank of Professor of Biochemistry and Molecular Genetics, College of Medicine at Chicago, on indefinite tenure, on an academic year basis, on 20 percent time, at an annual salary of \$26,520, effective May 24, 2021, for a total annual salary of \$253,462.

Dr. Colley succeeds Provost and Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs Susan Poser who is resigning from the University effective July 30, 2021, to become President of Hofstra University.

This recommendation was forwarded from the Chancellor in consultation with the Council of Deans, Vice Chancellors, and the Senate Executive Committee.

The Board action recommended in this item complies in all material respects with applicable State and federal laws, University of Illinois *Statutes, the General Rules Concerning University Organization and Procedure*, and the Board of Trustees policies and directives.

The Executive Vice President and Vice President for Academic Affairs concurs with this recommendation.

The President of the University recommends approval.

(A biographical sketch follows.)

## KAREN J. COLLEY

## Education

Duke University, Durham, North Carolina, B.A., 1981

Washington University, Saint Louis, Missouri, Ph.D., 1987

## Professional and Other Experience

University of California-Los Angeles, 1987-91, Postdoctoral Fellow, Department of Biological Chemistry, School of Medicine

University of Illinois Chicago, 1991-97, Assistant Professor of Biochemistry, College of Medicine at Chicago; 1997-2002, Associate Professor of Biochemistry and Molecular Genetics, College of Medicine at Chicago; 2002-date, Professor of Biochemistry, College of Medicine at Chicago; 2004-05, Co-Director, Graduate Education, Medical Sciences Program; 2004-08, Co-Director, Graduate Studies; 2005-07, Interim Senior Associate Dean for Research, Office of the Dean, College of Medicine at Chicago; 2007-08, Interim Associate Dean, College of Medicine at Chicago; 2008-11, Associate Dean, College of Medicine at Chicago; 2011-12, Visiting Senior Associate Dean for Faculty Affairs, College of Medicine at Chicago; 2012-date, Dean, Graduate College; 2020-21, Interim University Librarian and Dean of Libraries, University Library