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Eric Hogue Named President of Colorado Christian University

The president-elect will transition to his new role on June 1

LAKESWOOD, Colo.— Eric Hogue has been named the new president of Colorado Christian University by the University’s Board of Trustees. Hogue, who currently serves as the vice president of University Advancement for CCU, will assume the presidency on June 1.

“Eric Hogue is uniquely qualified to lead the University during a tumultuous time for Christ-centered higher education,” said Wil Armstrong, chairman of the University’s Board of Trustees. “The search committee was impressed at every step of the process by Eric and his vision for the University. As a natural leader and gifted orator, he brings an infectious passion for Colorado Christian University. He is a true champion for Christ-centered higher education.”



Hogue steps into the presidency at the culmination of a nine-month nationwide search conducted by the University’s Board of Trustees in conjunction with CarterBaldwin, one of the top executive search firms in the country. Trustee Susan Rutherford, an experienced corporate human resources executive, drove the process as chair of the search committee. The search firm and the committee vetted over 60 qualified academic, business and government leaders.

Hogue replaces Dr. Donald W. Sweeting, who served as president of CCU for six years before transitioning to the role of University chancellor in August 2022. CCU Trustee Tim McTavish, MBA ’13, has been the University’s interim president since Sweeting assumed the chancellor role.

“We cast a wide and robust net in searching for the next president,” said Rutherford. “As we got to know Eric better, it was clear that he should be the next leader for CCU. We stacked him up against the highest caliber of candidates, and he came out well ahead.”

Hogue ascends to the presidency as the University marks more than a decade of enrollment growth and expansion. CCU currently has more than 9,800 traditional, adult and graduate students enrolled at its residential campus in Lakewood, Colorado and online throughout the world.

“I am personally humbled and honored by the significance of the opportunity to serve as the next president of Colorado Christian University. The University is at a liminal moment with one foot firmly planted in our stellar history and the other stepping into what I believe is a limitless future,” said Hogue. “Our future embraces and celebrates a sincere Christ-centered higher education — with a passion to be the nation’s best performing and most respected Christ-centered, biblically sound, evangelical university.”

As vice president of University Advancement at CCU, Hogue directed a comprehensive fundraising program totaling more than \$45 million, including \$33.5 million for the Armstrong Center Campaign. He launched a \$44 million Science Center Campaign, established the CCU Endowment Foundation to prioritize the rapid and sustained growth of future resources for the University, and birthed the CCU Fund and Hope Fund which are projected to raise \$1.5 million annually for CCU student scholarships.

Prior to joining CCU, Hogue served for six years as the chief development officer of William Jessup University in Rocklin, California, where he tripled WJU’s endowment fund and navigated two successful campus capital development campaigns.

He is known for his roles as a former political candidate; practicing theologian and pastor; and long-tenured radio, television and media professional. Hogue is the author of “The Winning Side of the Ask: The Heart and Skills of the Donor-Centric Professional Fundraiser,” a book dedicated to helping nonprofits design a thriving philanthropic culture.

Hogue holds a Master of Arts in Theological Studies from Liberty University and a Bachelor of Science in Business Administration from William Jessup University. He is married to Tammy, an award-winning, academically published, elementary school educator who earned a Bachelor of Science in Business Administration and a Master of Arts in Teaching from William Jessup University. They have two adult daughters, two sons-in-law and three grandchildren.

About Colorado Christian University

Founded in 1914, Colorado Christian University provides Christ-centered higher education that transforms students to impact the world with grace and truth. Located in Lakewood, Colorado, a suburb of Denver, CCU is the flagship Christian university in the Rocky Mountain region. A leader in higher education, the University is consistently ranked in the top 2% of colleges nationwide for its core curriculum by the American Council of Trustees and Alumni.

CCU offers undergraduate and graduate degrees for traditional and adult students through its College of Undergraduate Studies and College of Adult and Graduate Studies. More than 9,800 students attend the University on the main campus, in regional centers throughout Colorado, and online. CCU is an NCAA Division II university in the Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference (RMAC).

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