

Dr. Julie H. Sullivan
President
University of St. Thomas

Dr. Julie H. Sullivan became the 15th president – and first layperson and woman to serve as president – of the University of St. Thomas on July 1, 2013. With campuses in St. Paul, Minneapolis, and Rome, St. Thomas is a comprehensive university encompassing seven schools and colleges serving over 10,000 students and grounded in the liberal arts and Catholic intellectual tradition.

Sullivan's prior academic experience includes service as executive vice president and provost at University of San Diego (2005-2013) and as professor and administrator at the University of California-San Diego (2003-2005) and the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill (1987-2003). Her research and teaching has focused on issues related to corporate and global tax planning and financial reporting to shareholders.

Sullivan is an innovative academic leader with a purpose. She is passionate about learning and scholarship grounded in the needs of an ever-changing and more complex world. She is a champion for social innovation and has been a leader in the Ashoka Changemaker movement. She also is known for her commitments to globalization and intercultural understanding.

Sullivan shares her education, financial, and business strategy expertise with public and private companies, as well as nonprofit organizations. She currently is a board member of Catholic Charities, Loyola University Chicago, Greater Twin Cities United Way and TCF Financial Corp. She also is a member of the Minnesota Business Partnership, the National Association of Corporate Directors and Minnesota Women's Economic Roundtable.

A native of Florida, Sullivan has three degrees from the University of Florida, including a Ph.D. in business.

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