

2023 EDUCAUSE Board of Directors Nomination

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The [EDUCAUSE Nominations and Leadership Development Committee](#) appreciates your recommendations for candidates for the 2023 EDUCAUSE Board of Directors election. You may nominate yourself or someone else using the form below. Multiple nominations are permitted. **Nominations will be accepted through February 24, 2023.**

EDUCAUSE board members work together to advance EDUCAUSE and higher education by tackling difficult issues and problems, exploring traditional and nontraditional ways to address them, and challenging each other in a collegial spirit. The Nominations and Leadership Development Committee seeks candidates who will bring wisdom, effectiveness, candor, and creative thinking to the board. It may be helpful for nominators to view the membership of the current [EDUCAUSE Board of Directors](#) and learn more about [board member responsibilities](#) prior to completing the nomination.

Application Process

Part 1 (this form): In the Nomination Statement area of this form, ***please comment directly and specifically*** on the nominee's qualifications for board membership (or your own, in the case of self-nominations). We have provided some explanation on what the committee is looking for to assist you in thinking productively about the information you supply.

Part 2: Soon after the responses for Part 1 have been received, candidates, whether nominated by someone else or self-nominated, will receive an email asking them **A)** to confirm their nomination, and **B)** to submit a short video (no longer than 2 minutes) based on the following prompt.

Just as there are disruptive forces impacting higher education, associations such as EDUCAUSE face their own challenges. What do you see as the greatest threats and/or opportunities facing EDUCAUSE over the next 5-10 years? As a board member, how would you work to address these challenges to ensure the continued success of the association in carrying out its mission and serving its members.

What is the committee looking for? While most board members know higher education and higher education technology, in particular, many are not as familiar with associations. However, EDUCAUSE is an association and faces its own challenges—challenges that board members will need to come up to speed on quickly. This question will require most nominees to do some research and learn about the association space. It will inform the committee of the individual's commitment to the role as well as their approach to learning and prioritizing.

Important Reminders

Candidates must be from an EDUCAUSE member institution to be considered for board service.

We will ask candidates to confirm their nomination and submit their video by Wednesday, March 1, 2023, in order to continue in the process.

If you have any questions about submitting a nomination, please contact us at nominations@edUCAUSE.edu for assistance.

Your Contact Information * This question is required.

Full Name: * This question is required.

Organization: * This question is required.

Email: * This question is required.

Nomination Statement | Please comment below on the nominee's skills and experience for the following required questions. *This question is required.

1. The ability to work in a dynamic team setting as well as build and sustain relationships with others are critical competencies indicative of successful board members.

Please share an instance where the nominee has worked effectively with others, including those outside formal lines of authority and/or those outside the nominee's domain of knowledge or expertise, to accomplish organizational goals and advance a shared vision. In your response, please include any challenges that the nominee may have faced and how the nominee worked to resolve and move past those challenges. (Maximum 500 words)

What is the committee looking for? Individuals who demonstrate a propensity toward team orientation (the inclination to solve problems through the work of the group as opposed to individual initiative) and teamwork orientation (the prioritization of group goals over individual wants/needs). In addition, the committee is looking to see how the nominee builds and maintains relationships with others to achieve shared outcomes.

*** This question is required.**

2. EDUCAUSE recognizes that universities and colleges, big and small, are experiencing an unprecedented array of pressures and challenges: from declining enrollments, to meeting the needs of the student-consumer, to rising operating costs, heightened debt sensitivity, and eroding public trust.

What role does the nominee see technology and data playing in addressing these types of issues and supporting the campus ecosystem as a whole? Your response may focus on one singular issue or address multiple ones; you may use any of the examples provided or identify one that fits the nominee's situation and experience. (Maximum 500 words)

What is the committee looking for? Individuals with both a strategic and entrepreneurial orientation--those who comfortably engage in big picture and breakthrough thinking. Successful board members must be able to analyze issues, perceive and anticipate changes, and recognize opportunities and threats. They must also be innovative and creative in their problem solving and decision-making approach. As representatives of the community, board members must also have a high level of expertise, experience, and foundational knowledge of the field. A response to this question requires a strong knowledge and understanding of the operating practice and systems available to make an impact on the larger challenges faced.

*** This question is required.**



3. EDUCAUSE board members serve as the voice of the members and function as both ambassadors to and advocates for the diverse community. Research has repeatedly shown that teams with diverse viewpoints outperform teams with members of similar backgrounds.

Reflecting on the nominee's EDUCAUSE experience and engagement, please share how the nominee sought out and/or intentionally included different perspectives and divergent viewpoints. What challenges did the nominee face in doing this and how did the nominee overcome these challenges? (Maximum 500 words)

What is the committee looking for? The EDUCAUSE Board has established diversity, equity, and inclusion (DEI) as a long-term critical priority for the association and believes that ongoing DEI work is foundational to the success of the association and the

community it serves. Each board member plays a role in supporting this priority through both individual and collective actions. A response to this question provides the committee a view into the nominee's DEI approach and journey.

*** This question is required.**

4. The EDUCAUSE board is responsible for setting the strategy and future direction of the association while also ensuring its long-term financial stability. The EDUCAUSE board recently approved a new vision, mission, and set of strategic priorities and long-term goals that will guide the organization over the next 3 years. [More information about the new EDUCAUSE strategic plan.](#)

After reviewing the document provided above, please share with the committee any unique or qualifying experiences/expertise that you feel would allow the nominee to contribute at the highest level in supporting the strategic focus of the board and in carrying out a board members' fiduciary responsibility. *(Maximum 500 words)*

What is the committee looking for? Anything that the nominee wants to share and feels is important for the committee to know about that they haven't already touched on in a previous answer. The focus on strategy/future direction, as well as financial responsibilities, provides some direction to the respondent and touches on two important skills that board members may have. The openness of the question, however, invites nominees to share other facets of their experience and skills that may be valuable to the board but that the committee wouldn't know to even ask about.

*** This question is required.**