

**Julie H. Sullivan, Ph.D.**  
**President**  
**University of St. Thomas**

Julie H. Sullivan is the 15th president of the University of St. Thomas. Serving since July 2013, she is the first layperson and first female president of this almost 135-year-old Catholic university. St. Thomas is the largest private university in Minnesota, with 10,000 students and 2,000 employees. With campuses in St. Paul, Minneapolis and Rome, St. Thomas is a comprehensive university, grounded in the liberal arts and Catholic intellectual tradition, and encompassing eight schools and colleges, including schools/colleges of business, engineering, education and law. Its newest college, the Dougherty Family College is reducing the college education and prosperity gaps in Minnesota by providing an alternate pathway to a bachelor's degree for first generation and socioeconomically disadvantaged students.

Sullivan served as executive vice president and provost at University of San Diego (2005-2013) after an extensive academic and administrative career as a professor of business and accounting at the University of California-San Diego (2003-2005) and the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill (1987-2003).

Sullivan is an innovative academic leader with a purpose. She is known for her commitments to eliminating economic, education and health disparities and promoting intercultural understanding. She is a champion for social innovation and has been a leader in the global Ashoka Changemaker movement.

Sullivan shares her education, financial, leadership and strategy expertise with public companies, as well as nonprofit organizations. She currently is a board member of TCF Financial Corp., Catholic Charities, Minnesota Business Partnership, Loyola University Chicago and Greater MSP. She also is a member of WomenCorporateDirectors and Minnesota Women's Economic Roundtable.

Sullivan's prior board service includes 14 years of cumulative experience as a director of three other public companies: PICO Holdings, Applied Micro and United PanAm Financial Corporation. She also has served on additional non-profit boards, including Greater Twin Cities United Way, Project Concern International and The Old Globe Theatre.

A native of Florida, Sullivan has three degrees from the University of Florida, a bachelor's degree in accounting, a master's degree in taxation and a Ph.D. in business. She is a (non-practicing) certified public accountant.

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