The President is hired by and accountable to the Board of Trustees for the overall visionary, spiritual, and strategic leadership of the University, and for its general success, welfare, and reputation. The president works closely with the chair of the Board of Trustees and with the Chair and Executive Director of the FPU Foundation.

Specific responsibilities:

- Ensure the Christ-centered spiritual vitality of the university and personally model engagement in worship and spiritual formation on campus and in a local church.
- Ensure the financial vitality, strength, and long term success of the university.
- Lead the external affairs of the University and represent FPU in external settings, including church, community, government, and higher education.
- In collaboration with the chief advancement officer, guide and engage in fundraising as the chief fundraiser and friend raiser, especially with major donors.
- Ensure that wise fundraising goals are set and consistently met for the annual budgeted needs of the University, and for the development of endowments and other permanent financial and physical assets.
- Actively work with the FPUF Board to increase its endowments and financial strength and to guide, support, and evaluate the FPUF Executive Director.
- Ensure exemplary values, competitive success, and regulatory compliance in the athletics program.
- Lead and publicly represent the diversity and cohesion of the people of FPU.
- Shape and publicly represent the FPU vision, values, strategic planning, campus master planning, policies, programs, and outcomes.
- Work closely with the board development committee to help select board members and enhance their capacity to ensure the effectiveness of the Board as the institutional governing body.
- Form, convene, set agenda, and facilitate a leadership and planning committee and any other committees, councils, or other groups that may be needed for the spiritual direction, Christian character, and long-term financial, educational, and missional effectiveness of the president or the university.
- Participate in the recruitment and leadership development of the Paragon and President’s Scholars.
- Hire, direct, develop, support, empower, and evaluate the persons in positions that report directly to the President:
  1. Provost/Senior Vice President
  2. Chief Advancement Officer
  3. President of the Seminary
  4. University Pastor
  5. Director of Athletics
  6. Executive Director of Academic Innovation
  7. Executive Assistant to the President