

Dr. Mark F. Strickland, Jr.



Professional Experience

**Provost,
St. Petersburg College**

2015-Present

Seminole Campus: Provides campus leadership and is accountable for all campus operations, including efforts to ensure that the full range of support programs and services are optimal in assisting all students succeed in their academic goals. Therefore, implements educational and academic support programs; working with Deans, Academic Chairs and Directors to define, schedule, and support appropriate academic courses and programs on the campus to meet student needs. Additionally, works with district personnel for continual evaluations and improvements of the campus environment.

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2022-Present

Health Education (HEC) and Vet Tech Centers (VT): In addition to serving Seminole Campus, also serves as campus administrative lead for health education and veterinary training at two additional sites. Thus, the job description is nearly identical to the provost role at Seminole Campus and all other campuses. However, academic programs at HEC and VT are very much different in the students it serves, along with the academic pathways. Nursing, and Allied Health are mission critical in relation to the students that graduate and matriculate to jobs in and around the Tampa Bay area.

**Associate Provost
St. Petersburg College, St. Petersburg, FL**

2011-2015

Associate Provost, Downtown Campus: Served as campus leader in Provost's absence and assist the Provost in building and supporting an effective leadership team. Provided leadership along with the Provost for essential aspects of campus operations including: overseeing student support services and programs, management of student appeals, and work with campus and district personnel for continued process improvements in Career and Academic Advising, Admissions, Registration, and Student Affairs. Participated in strategic planning, development, and management of budgets for my areas of supervision. Worked collaboratively alongside the Provost with faculty, staff, and students on college and campus goals and initiatives in support of student learning and academic success. Lastly, served as appointed campus representative for campus wide complaints and concerns.

Director, Athletics
St. Petersburg College, St. Petersburg, FL

2007-2015

Director, Athletics: Directed and managed intercollegiate athletic department with 25 full and part-time employees. Directly responsible for 2-million-dollar budget, scheduling of all home and away contests, approval of scholarships to student athletes, eligibility, and compliance. During my time as Athletic Director, I rewrote the rules and procedures manual for athletics, along with reorganized and reallocated funds to adequately be distributed among the six sports, which allowed the college to comply with Title IX. In addition to my duties as AD, I was the chair of the Suncoast Conference, and I was the statewide chair for tennis. Lastly, I was elected as the Council of Athletic Affairs chair elect, which is for the governing body for junior college athletics in Florida. However, I was unable to serve in this role as I was promoted to Provost and subsequently resigned as Athletic Director.

Director, Enrollment Management
St. Petersburg College, St. Petersburg, FL

2003-2011

Director, Enrollment Management: Planned, directed, advised current and prospective students, and implemented management of enrollment management efforts related to recruitment and computerized tracking of prospective students, and coordinated recruitment with intake processes, academic offerings and course scheduling. Lastly, concerning Enrollment Management, I trained, directed, and evaluated all personnel under immediate supervision. Position was formally Coordinator, and I was promoted to Director in fall of 2005. In addition to my role as Director of Enrollment Management, during 2011, prior to being promoted as Associate Provost, I briefly assumed additional duties where I oversaw the College-wide Volunteer Program. The volunteer program coordinated volunteers for college-wide initiatives, collaborates with student life and leadership coordinators and college recruiters to facilitate a student ambassador program, works closely with the Student Government Association members and other student leadership organizations to provide volunteer opportunities in the college and the community.

Adjunct Professor
St. Petersburg College, the University of Tampa, and Barry University
Tampa and Seminole, FL

2005-2021

Adjunct Professor: Taught Intro to Sports Management for St. Petersburg College, and Barry University through the University Partnership on the Seminole Campus at St. Petersburg College and taught Intro to Kinesiology for the University of Tampa.

College Recruiter
St. Petersburg College, St. Petersburg, FL

2000-2003

College Recruiter: Represented the college at high schools, expositions, and corporate visits. Advised and dispersed information to the public by proactively and systematically implementing college-wide recruitment initiatives that continuously improve the communication between the college and the community.

Head Coach **2000-2003**
Gibbs High School, St. Petersburg, FL

Head Coach: I was the head coach for a soccer team that had not won a game in five years and barely had enough players to participate. In my final year, Gibbs finally beat Dixie Hollins High School 3-1 and there was a brief mention in the Tampa Bay Times; it was if we won the Super Bowl.

Substitute School Teacher **1997-2000**
Pinellas County Schools, Pinellas County, FL

Substitute School Teacher: Substitute taught K-12 during my last few years in college and even briefly after I graduated from USF, prior to being hired on full-time at St. Petersburg College.

Counselor, YMCA **1995-1997**
Bauder Elementary, Seminole, FL

Counselor: I was a youth counselor for the YMCA at Bauder Elementary School for their before and after school program. Tutored and mentored K-5 while organizing football and soccer tournaments with other elementary schools in the Pinellas County area.

Education

Ed.D in Leadership and Management (2015-2019)

St. Thomas University, Miami Gardens FL

Master of Science in Sports Management (2003-2004)

Nova Southeastern University, Ft. Lauderdale FL

Bachelor of Arts in History (1997-1999)

University of South Florida, Tampa FL

Associate in Arts (1994-1997)

St. Petersburg College, St. Petersburg FL