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Canisius College names Steve Stoute as its new president

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Canisius College has selected Steve Stoute as its 25th president.

The college started its president search in the fall, after President John Hurley announced over the summer that he would retire at the end of June 2022. He has been the college's president since 2010.

Stoute, who is vice president for strategic initiatives and chief of staff at DePaul University in Chicago, will start as Canisius president on July 1, 2022, according to a news release.



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A view of Canisius College.

"At this moment in our history, Canisius College is being called to transform our city, region, country and world by educating the next generation of leaders — individuals who are equity-minded, justice-oriented and values-centered," he said in the release. "I am excited to engage all our constituents and collaborators in Western New York and beyond, to answer that call, with the knowledge that our Jesuit, Catholic mission and values will be our guide on the journey."

Stoute, who is also an attorney, previously worked as an associate, specializing in securities and corporate matters at Dechert LLP in Philadelphia. He has worked in higher education at Princeton University, as assistant director of the Princeton Varsity Club in the Department of Athletics and as the Office of Development's capital giving officer.

He was also the Department of Athletics' life skills coordinator at the University of Southern California.

He was born and raised in Trinidad and Tobago before immigrating to the United States in 2000 to attend Seton Hall University in New Jersey.

Stoute has a bachelor's degree in business administration from Seton Hall University, a master's degree in exercise and sport science from University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill and a juris doctor degree from the University of Pennsylvania Law School.

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