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Matt Hulver, Ph.D., is the Vice President for Research and Partnerships (VPRP) at the University of Oklahoma. With a focus on impact, the Office of the Vice President for Research and Partnerships leads strategy development and support for research, innovation, and strategic partnerships across the university system to advance discovery and

innovation.

At OU, Dr. Hulver and the Office of the Vice President for Research and Partnerships are advancing an impact-focused vision for research that emphasizes the university's unique strengths in areas where it is especially well-positioned to lead and drive innovation. These include:

- **Energy** – building on Oklahoma's historic and emerging leadership in energy to shape a secure, resilient energy future.
- **Extreme Weather** – driving research that deepens prediction and mitigation capabilities as well as resilience to extreme weather, directly benefiting communities across Oklahoma and beyond.
- **Health** – advancing medical research and innovation to improve urban, rural, and Tribal health care and community well-being.
- **National Security** – leveraging OU's deep and globally respected expertise in radar innovations, as well as its emerging exceptionalism in advanced manufacturing and materials engineering to contribute to national defense and resilience.

Before joining OU, Dr. Hulver held senior leadership positions at other major research universities, including Arizona State University and Virginia Tech University. His record of leadership has expanded institutional presence through strategic partnerships with federal agencies, policymakers, global research institutions, and industry leaders, translating academic discoveries into real-world impact.

A career scholar, Dr. Hulver earned his Ph.D. in Exercise Physiology from the University of Kansas, an M.S. in Exercise Science from McDaniel College, and B.S. in Fitness Management from Marietta College. His research has explored skeletal muscle metabolism, mitochondrial adaptation, and insulin sensitivity, has received support from the National Institutes of Health, the American Diabetes Association, and various industry sponsors. Dr. Hulver has an extensive publication record with over 100 peer-reviewed articles.