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• Steward the university’s visual identity and reputation
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• Develop, oversee and report on institutional government, stakeholder, and community relations strategies

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Universal Functions for Entire Portfolio*

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- University assets management system
- Routine website updates and e-commerce support
- Trademark agreements
- Event logistics
- Filming and photography policy and approvals
- Maintain enterprise subscriptions and access (Campaign Monitor, Meltwater, Sprout Social, Lumen, etc.)

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- Manage events

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