



ADVERTISEMENT Search for a Vice-Provost, Teaching and Learning UNIVERSITY OF CALGARY

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The University of Calgary (UCalgary), located in the heart of Southern Alberta, both acknowledges and pays tribute to the traditional territories of the peoples of Treaty 7, which include the Blackfoot Confederacy (comprised of the Siksika, the Piikani, and the Kainai First Nations) as well as the Tsuut'ina First Nation, and the Stoney Nakoda (including Chiniki, Bearspaw, and Wesley First Nations). The university recognizes that the City of Calgary is also home to the Métis Nation of Alberta (Districts 5 & 6). By virtue of the signing of Treaty 7 in 1877, the University recognizes that we are all treaty people. The City of Calgary is home to a culturally diverse community. Together, we share this land, strive to live together, learn together, walk together, and grow together in a good way.

Teaching and Learning at UCalgary

With a focus on leadership, innovation, high-quality instruction, relevant curriculum, and experiential learning, UCalgary is a vibrant community for teaching and learning excellence. By celebrating outstanding educators, funding teaching and learning research, fostering networks and communities, and advancing new ideas in the scholarship and practice of education, we have enhanced the teaching experience for both students and educators at the University of Calgary.

Teaching and learning are the bedrock of a campus—it's fundamental to the work of a postsecondary institution. Supported by the Taylor Institute for Teaching and Learning, UCalgary's teaching and learning community stretches around the world, and helps educators develop expertise, grow their skills, and continually improve student learning experiences.

UCalgary's commitment to advancing the recommendations from ii' taa'poh'to'p' related to teaching and learning are fundamental to our work. We have worked diligently to centre Indigenous Ways of Knowing, Being, Doing and Connecting in our processes, programs and offerings, to ensure the wisdom from generations before are part of how we move forward together.

Position Description

The University of Calgary is seeking a visionary academic leader to serve as our next **Vice-Provost, Teaching and Learning**. Reporting the Deputy-Provost, this pivotal role will create and implement a teaching and learning strategy to strengthen teaching excellence, curriculum development, and student learning experiences across all faculties. The Vice-Provost will lead institutional initiatives to advance pedagogy in the classroom for students and faculty, support faculty development, and foster a culture of action-oriented innovation and continuous improvement in dynamic times. Working collaboratively with academic leaders, instructors, and support staff, the successful candidate will enhance the student learning experience through the implementation of high-impact educational practices, drive initiatives that enhance academic integrity, and transform UCalgary as the university of choice for the next generation of learners with a particular emphasis on leveraging digital technologies.

The Vice-Provost will also oversee key teaching and learning resources, ensuring alignment with the UCalgary's Ahead of Tomorrow 2023-2030 strategic plan, and ii' taa'poh'to'p, the Indigenous Strategy. Guided by evidence-based practices, they will convert knowledge into action to create and integrate





digital learning initiatives and technologies across programs in collaboration with the campus digital learning strategy and information technology leaders. They will be highly accomplished at both recognizing, inspiring and managing change, with a demonstrated commitment to using evidence-based approaches to guide transformation in higher education teaching and learning. A strong commitment to equity, diversity, and inclusion, along with expertise in instructional innovation and learning assessment, is essential.

The ideal candidate will possess a doctoral degree with credentials that qualify them for a tenured appointment at the rank of full Professor or Teaching Professor, with proven leadership experience in advancing teaching and learning priorities at an institutional level. They have the ability to engage a broad range of stakeholders, including students, faculty, researchers, and the wider community to support transformative and impactful pedagogical innovation, and the capacity to operationalize new initiatives with clear direction and outcomes. If you are a dynamic leader with a passion for academic excellence, innovation in teaching, and student-centered learning, we invite you to join us in shaping the future of education at UCalgary.

The successful candidate will provide leadership in creating space for diverse perspectives, a commitment to freedom of expression, and will actively lead the local implementation of university strategies including Indigenous (ii' taa'poh'to'p), Sustainability, Global Engagement, Mental Health, as well as an emerging EDIA strategy.

Application Instructions

To explore this opportunity further or to apply, please email <u>apply@jssearch.ca</u>, and include "UCalgary VPTL" in the subject line of your email. Applications should include a cover letter and curriculum vitae (saved as a single document).

About the University of Calgary

UCalgary is a global intellectual hub located in Canada's most enterprising city. UCalgary is a bold and spirited institution, recognized as one of Canada's top research universities, grounded in innovative teaching and learning, and fully engaged with the community it serves and leads.

"Great cities are built around great research universities and cities that successfully reinvent themselves do so in partnerships with focused, world-class institutions. The fate of Calgary and UCalgary are inextricably tied. Our community has supported us, and now is the time to show returns on those investments for the benefit of our community. Our ambition is nothing short of UCalgary being a catalyst of economic growth and quality-of-life improvements in this city and beyond."

- Dr. Ed McCauley, President & Vice-Chancellor, University of Calgary

UCalgary recently unveiled its *Ahead of Tomorrow* strategic plan, which articulates a 7-year vision out to 2030. It's a bold vision that reflects our ambition to increase access to future-focused education, to maximize the impact of our research and innovation, to put the community at the centre of all that we do, and to make our operational processes clearer, simpler and better than any other university. To learn more about UCalgary's strategic plan, visit: http://ucalgary.ca/about/ahead-of-tomorrow

Despite its youth, at only 57 years of age, UCalgary is already one of the nation's leading research universities. It has five campuses in Calgary, one in Qatar, a University Innovation Quarter in Calgary, and five research stations in Alberta, BC, and the Yukon. UCalgary is a global intellectual hub for high-





quality research and scholarship, one where students thrive in programs made rich by research, handson experiences, and entrepreneurial thinking, grounded in innovative learning and teaching; it is fully integrated with the community it both serves and leads. As a Comprehensive Academic and Research University, we aim to produce the next generation of leaders who experience the best possible training in acquiring and creating new knowledge.

These foundational values and commitments enable inclusive excellence, discovery, creativity, and innovation across the research ecosystem. With over 28,000 undergraduate students, 8,000 graduate students, 575 postdoctoral fellows/associates (postdocs), and 1,800+ faculty actively engaged in transdisciplinary discovery, creativity, and innovation across 14 faculties and schools, and supported by 3,200+ staff, we deliver over 250 degree and non-credit programs – undergraduate, graduate, and professional degrees, postdoctoral training, and continuing and professional education programs. We increasingly attract domestic students from within Alberta and across Canada, and our knowledge and experience are enriched by international students from over 119 countries.

With over \$545M in annual research revenue and more than 50 research institutes and centres, UCalgary has become known as a research powerhouse in Canada. The scholarly environment at UCalgary encourages our students, faculty, and staff to take on the tough challenges facing our society and to draw expertise from across all our domains to develop evidence-based solutions. We integrate research into graduate and undergraduate curricula, equipping students with transferable problem-solving skills tested in experiential and work-integrated learning scenarios to increase employability and opportunities for professional advancement.

UCalgary benefits from the ongoing support of our community, which rallies behind the university, recently completing the third-largest fundraising campaign in Canadian history, surpassing \$1.4B.

UCalgary is a large and complex institution that drives tremendous value with an annual consolidated budget of more than \$1.6B, it is among Calgary's largest employers, and generates over \$16B annually in economic impact to the province. Two-thirds of the university's 220,000 alumni live and work in the Calgary area, effectively building a city of leaders and those dedicated to improving quality of life and prosperity.

UCalgary has been recognized for eight consecutive years as one of Alberta's Top 75 Employers (2017–2024) and Canada's best diversity employer (2017–2024).

To learn more, visit <u>ucalgary.ca</u>. You can also view the <u>academic</u> and <u>research & innovation</u> plans, as well as the <u>Equity</u>, <u>Diversity</u>, <u>Inclusion and Accessibility</u>, <u>Indigenous</u>, <u>mental health</u> and <u>sustainability strategies</u>.

About Calgary

Recently ranked the most liveable city in North America and 5th in the world (2024) by The Economist Intelligence Unit, and possessing one of the youngest populations of major cities in Canada, Calgary is home to world-class attractions, sporting amenities and public infrastructure that supports a healthy lifestyle, making it a great place to raise a family (https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCnh-WugziiiHwMT44-sVwrA). Situated where the Canadian plains reach the sunny foothills of Canada's majestic Rocky Mountains, Calgary is a major urban centre surrounded by an area of profound beauty with an awe-inspiring mountains, lakes, rivers and gorgeous prairie.





Consistently rated by the United Nations as the world's best country to live in, Canada is the world's second largest country by total area and is one of the most ethnically diverse and multicultural nations. Canada ranks among the highest in international measurements of government transparency, civil liberties, quality of life, economic freedom, and education.

The University of Calgary's comprehensive benefits and pension program is designed to promote a productive level of health and well-being to staff members. To learn about our comprehensive benefits package for this Calgary-based, English-speaking position, please visit https://www.ucalgary.ca/hr/benefits-pension.

The University of Calgary recognizes that a diverse staff/faculty benefits and enriches the work, learning and research experiences of the entire campus and greater community. We are committed to removing barriers that have been historically encountered by some people in our society. We strive to recruit individuals who will further enhance our diversity and will support their academic and professional success while they are here; in particular, we encourage members of equity-deserving groups (women, Indigenous Peoples, persons with disabilities, members of visible minorities and diverse sexual orientation and gender identities) to apply. All qualified candidates are encouraged to apply; however Canadians and permanent residents will be given priority. To ensure a fair and equitable assessment, we offer accommodation at any stage during the recruitment process to applicants with disabilities. Questions regarding diversity at UCalgary can be sent to the Office of Equity, Diversity and Inclusion (equity@ucalgary.ca) and requests for accommodation can be sent to Human Resources (hrhire@ucalgary.ca).