



FIRST NATIONS UNIVERSITY of CANADA

President

First Nations University of Canada invites expressions of interest, applications, and nominations for the position of President, with the successful candidate to be appointed by July 2019, or as soon thereafter as possible. This is an outstanding opportunity to lead a University that is fast becoming a leader in Canadian higher education by allowing students of all nations to learn in an environment of Indigenous knowledges, cultures, and values.

With over 3,500 full-time students and more than 145 faculty and staff at its three Saskatchewan campuses, the First Nations University of Canada (FNUUniv) stands at the forefront of Indigenous education and traditional knowledge. Under the guidance of Elders and First Nations communities, its programs are shaped upon the best of what is known about Indigenous knowledge, skills, and attitudes that contribute in meaningful ways to our society as a whole. FNUUniv provides a holistic and innovative academic environment, bringing together quality academic studies with traditional Indigenous knowledge. The University is a federated college of the University of Regina and its academic programs are accredited through that institution. Additional information about FNUUniv is available online at www.fnuniv.ca.

Working effectively with the Board of Governors and the University's senior leadership team, the President is the chief executive officer of FNUUniv, responsible for the overall leadership of its academic and administrative affairs, government and community relations, and philanthropy. The new President will be responsible for continuing to foster and develop the University's reputation in Indigenous education, teaching, research, and outreach activities.

The successful candidate will be an accomplished academic and exemplary leader with a strong commitment to serving the needs of students and faculty and advancing the University's mission. A proven track record that demonstrates the ability to guide the affairs of the overall University is essential, as is a strong understanding of universities, their cultures and processes, and their role in society. The ability to work effectively within a diverse community will be accompanied by a strong knowledge of Indigenous cultures, values, and traditions. Candidates will possess outstanding judgment, management, communication, and interpersonal skills, and have the capacity to build and sustain positive working relationships with students, faculty, staff, and alumni, as well as a wide variety of external groups.

All qualified candidates are encouraged to apply. The First Nations University of Canada relies on section 48 of The Saskatchewan Human Rights code to give preference in employment for this position; therefore please indicate your status in the letter of introduction.

The Search Committee will begin considering potential candidates immediately and will continue until the position is successfully filled. Applications, including a letter of introduction, curriculum vitae, and the names of three references (who will not be contacted without the consent of the candidate), should be submitted electronically, in confidence, to the University's executive search consultants:

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