



## ASSOCIATE VICE PRESIDENT, RESEARCH

**Athabasca University (AU)**, Canada's Open University, is devoted to the removal of barriers that restrict access to and success in university-level study and to increasing equality of educational opportunity for adult learners worldwide. As Canada's only digital learning university, created by Alberta innovators, Athabasca University's classrooms, collaboration spaces and student hubs are not brick and mortar facilities but rather cloud and code based. Athabasca University provides learning for life. Through the achievements of its students, faculty and staff, AU stands out as a provider of high quality post-secondary education. AU serves over 40,000 students and offers more than 850 courses in more than 55 undergraduate and graduate programs in a range of arts, science and professional disciplines. To learn more about AU, please visit [www.athabascau.ca](http://www.athabascau.ca).

Reporting to the Provost and Vice President Academic, the Associate Vice President, Research leads AU's research mandate and is responsible for the development and promotion of AU's research enterprise. A key member of the executive and academic leadership team, the Associate Vice President, Research will have responsibility for developing the strategies, programs, services and supports to enhance AU's diverse research and scholarly activities.

This is a critical appointment for AU that calls for a visionary, strategic, passionate and imaginative individual to lead the bold transformation of operations that support AU's academic mission and the new Learning Framework. An effective and experienced research leader, the successful candidate will have an earned doctorate, bring a high level of excellence in research and scholarship and have demonstrated success leading multidisciplinary teams and facilitating research. Superior communication skills, a commitment to diversity and inclusion in all its forms, a genuine passion for interdisciplinary research and scholarship as well as the capacity to work collaboratively with a diverse array of colleagues are essential.

*Athabasca University develops and maintains an environment that supports equitable working conditions for individuals traditionally unrepresented in universities. AU is committed to employment equity, encouraging applications from women, indigenous peoples, persons with disabilities, and members of visible minorities.*

All qualified candidates are encouraged to apply; however, Canadians and permanent residents of Canada will be given priority.

This is an exciting opportunity to serve in a transformational capacity at Canada's leading online university. To learn more about this exciting leadership opportunity, please call Ashley Brown or Cameron Geldart of The Geldart Group at 587.534.2220 or forward your CV, a letter of introduction along with the names and contact information of three referees, in confidence, to [ashley@thegeldartgroup.com](mailto:ashley@thegeldartgroup.com).