President and Vice Chancellor
Carleton University

Carleton University is an institution where excellence meets impact. Warm and welcoming, confident and engaging, growing and thriving, hopeful and inspiring, Carleton University is a community that empowers change leaders to positively impact the world.

Consistently ranked as one of the best comprehensive universities in the country, Carleton is a research-intensive institution that has become one of Canada’s innovation epicenters. It is resourceful, a driver of progress, with productive hubs of learning and growth. Champions of wellness, sustainability, and global engagement, the university offers over 200 academic programs and a positive environment for students, faculty, and staff to pursue, mobilize, and share knowledge, and leverage higher education for good.

In 2020, the university launched its ambitious Strategic Integrated Plan which has seen notable advancements including: significant and sustained increases in research funding; a strengthening national profile and reputation; elevated student success metrics; a revitalized Campus Master Plan; the construction of signature, new learning and student residential facilities; national and international distinction and recognition in the area of accessibility; as well as considerable progress in sustainability, community engagement, Indigenous initiatives, and equity, diversity, and inclusion. Carleton’s commitment to reconciliation has recently culminated in the 2020 Kinâmâgawin Report, a revitalized Indigenous Strategy comprising 41 calls to action related to community building, student engagement, research, and innovation (among others).

Located on traditional, unceded territories of the Algonquin nation, a stunning main campus that is nestled at the confluence of the Rideau River and the Rideau Canal, a UNESCO World Heritage site, and minutes from both Ottawa’s government and business centre and International Airport, Carleton is a 2023 Canada’s Top 100 Employer and has been named a National Capital Region Top Employer for nine consecutive years. The university’s distinctive environment and smart, caring community of more than 35,000 students, faculty, and staff contribute greatly to its well-known and well-regarded academic and student experience.

Carleton’s Board of Governors has begun the recruitment of the university’s 17th President and Vice-Chancellor. Building upon the progress made in Carleton’s Strategic Integrated Plan, the President, with the support of an exceptional and dedicated team of talented faculty, administrative, and student leaders, will continue Carleton’s pursuit of world-class research, academic excellence, teaching, and learning. This individual will also champion the university’s reputation and continued growth, locally, provincially, nationally, and internationally, and ensure the university maintains its leadership and progress on sustainability, community engagement, Indigenous initiatives, accessibility, equity, diversity, and inclusion. The President will nurture a collegial atmosphere that promotes collaboration, transparency, and integrity. They will foster a culture that attracts and retains talented students and ensures the services are provided for a first-rate student experience, while also attracting and retaining excellent faculty and staff, including a high-performing senior leadership team.

To learn more about leading Canada’s Capital University, please contact Michael Naufal (mnaufal@boyden.com) of Boyden Executive Search. To apply, please submit your cover letter and resume directly at https://boyden.thriveapp.ly/job/2177
The Advisory Committee will begin reviewing applications in December 2023 with an anticipated start of July 1st, 2024. For further information on the ongoing recruitment process, please visit: https://carleton.ca/presidential-search/

Carleton is committed to fostering an innovative, equitable and welcoming work environment. Carleton is a nationally certified Healthy Workplace and is a recipient of the Canada Awards for Excellence, Healthy Workplace Order of Excellence and Platinum Level Certification for Mental Health at Work.

As a source of excellence, cultural enrichment and social strength, Carleton University is strongly committed to diversity and inclusivity within its community. We welcome those who would contribute to the further diversification of our University including, but not limited to: women; visible minorities; First Nations, Inuit and Métis peoples; persons with disabilities; and persons of any sexual orientation or gender identity and expressions.