

## Position Details

**Position Title** Director, School of Physiotherapy/Assistant Dean, Faculty of Health

**Posting Number** F240P

**Type of position** Limited Term

**Department/Unit** Physiotherapy

**Location** Halifax

The Faculty of Health at Dalhousie University is seeking a dynamic, team-oriented leader to be the next **Director of its School of Physiotherapy**.

Dalhousie University is the largest university in Atlantic Canada, comprised of more than 1,000 faculty members and close to 20,000 students amongst its 13 Faculties. As part of Canada's U15 group of research-intensive universities, Dalhousie is a key driver of the region's intellectual, social, and economic development. From "the little college by the sea" to a world-leading, research-intensive university: Dalhousie University's first 200 years have seen it transform from a local centre of learning to an institution with global impact. Now, at the dawn of its third century, Dalhousie is more relevant, more connected, and more vibrant than ever.

### About the opportunity

The School of Physiotherapy is one of 10 units within the Faculty of Health, committed to achieving five strategic directions including engaging in transformational teaching and learning, growth of the research enterprise, fostering citizenship, cultivating partnerships and mobilizing supports for innovation. The Faculty of Health is home to one of the largest number of health professions programs at a Canadian University, including 11 masters and two doctoral level research-based programs. The School is committed to improving the well-being of individuals, families, communities and populations through our programming, collaborative research and strong community partnerships. The Masters in Physiotherapy Program is fully accredited through the next 6 years, and a refreshed curriculum, growth in research activities and faculty renewal make it an opportune time to join the School. Further details about the School of Physiotherapy, its faculty, research, and academic programs can be found at the School's website: <https://www.dal.ca/faculty/health/school-of-physiotherapy.html>.

The School is seeking a professional leader with a strong understanding of the academic world and the rapidly changing university and health care contexts. Reporting to the Dean of the Faculty of Health and working closely and collaboratively with the other members of the Dean's Leadership Team, the Director provides academic, research, and administrative leadership in accordance with the principles of academic governance and is responsible for administrative, financial, and human resources management. The Director will promote excellence in research, education, and professional activity.

The ideal candidate will have demonstrated expertise in research, education, and academic administrative leadership, with experience in ensuring high quality educational programs, vigorous and creative research, and scholarship. Teaching achievement, an externally funded research program, and/or a substantial contribution to physiotherapy through scholarship that advances the discipline of physiotherapy is essential. Success in establishing and maintaining effective partnerships with a diverse array of stakeholders is also essential. Experience in a previous academic appointment in a School/Department of Physiotherapy with a graduate education program is desirable, as is interest in and experience with developing interprofessional collaboration and interdisciplinary research initiatives.

To be eligible, candidates will have a PhD (or equivalent research degree) in a relevant discipline and be eligible for registration with the Nova Scotia College of Physiotherapists. This five-year term position is expected to commence **July 1, 2022** and may be renewed for a second five-year term. The successful candidate will be appointed into a tenure stream position at the rank of Associate or Full Professor depending on qualifications.

To be considered, please submit your application through <https://dal.peopleadmin.ca/postings/7317> by **November 1, 2021**. Applications for the position should include a Cover Letter and Curriculum Vitae highlighting recent examples of academic, research, and management/administrative experience.

To review the Executive Brief containing more details about the role please contact Laura Godsoe or Emma Spence Wach at [exec.search@dal.ca](mailto:exec.search@dal.ca)

*Dalhousie University supports a healthy and balanced lifestyle. Our total compensation package includes a defined benefit pension plan, health and dental plans, a health spending account, an employee and family assistance program and a tuition assistance program.*

*Dalhousie University is committed to fostering a collegial culture grounded in diversity and inclusiveness. The university encourages applications from Indigenous persons (especially Mi'kmaq), racially visible persons (especially historic African Nova Scotians), persons with a disability, women, and persons of a minority sexual orientation and/or gender identity, and all candidates who would contribute to the diversity of our community. For more information, please visit [www.dal.ca/hiringfordiversity](http://www.dal.ca/hiringfordiversity). All qualified candidates are encouraged to apply; however, Canadians and permanent residents will be given priority.*