Provost & Vice-President, Academic

Dalhousie University

Dalhousie University is Atlantic Canada’s leading research university and the region’s only member of the U15 group of major Canadian post-secondary institutions. Through its academic mission of teaching and learning, research and service, Dalhousie drives the region’s intellectual, social and economic development. Located on the traditional, unceded territory of the Mi’kmaq, in the vibrant, coastal city of Halifax, with our Agricultural Campus in Truro/Bible Hill and a Dalhousie Medicine satellite campus in Saint John, New Brunswick, Dalhousie is a truly national and international institution, with more than half of our 19,550 students coming from outside of the province. Our 6,000 faculty and staff foster a diverse, purpose-driven community, one that spans 13 Faculties and attracts more than $180 million in external research funds.

The Provost & Vice-President, Academic is the senior vice-president and chief academic officer of the University. Reporting to and serving as an executive partner for the President and Vice Chancellor, the Provost & Vice President, Academic is responsible for leading the implementation of the University’s strategic goals. As Provost, you are the operational and budgetary lead; working in collaboration with the Vice-President Finance & Administration, you are accountable for setting budget priorities and in charge of ensuring that the University’s budget supports the academic mission. As Vice-President Academic, you are the chief academic officer of the University and the primary point of liaison with the Senate on behalf of the senior administration.

As the ideal candidate for this position, you are known for your resilience, authenticity, empathy, and a commitment to excellence, and for inspiring and nurturing these qualities in others. You are committed to inclusive excellence and bring a solid and visible track record of action related to anti-racism, equity, diversity, inclusion and Indigenization. Your effectiveness as a strategic and rigorous administrator is evident in your demonstrated experience of academic innovation, change leadership, collegial governance, operational excellence and financial management. You have led a large and complex academic unit in a research-intensive environment. You have a track record as an accomplished researcher and educator, known for amplifying and elevating the achievements of your colleagues and students. Student-centric, with an unwavering commitment to collegial governance, you communicate effectively with a broad array of stakeholders, on and off campus.

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 applications must include a completed self-identification questionnaire, which can be found at: [Dal Self-ID](http://www.dal.ca/hiringfordiversity).

The search committee will begin reviewing applications in early March 2021. The search committee will be assisted by the executive search firm, Boyden. For further information and to apply for the role, please contact Jessa Chupik and Nick Chambers at jchupik@boyden.com and nchambers@boyden.com.

Prospective candidates should contact the Boyden team as soon as possible, to indicate their intent and to ensure candidates have enough time to carefully consider the role. In the current COVID-19 crisis, every effort will be made to accommodate candidates’ professional, community and personal responsibilities.
Accommodations are available for individuals with disabilities throughout the recruitment process by contacting Jessa Chupik at jchupik@boyden.com. In accordance with Canadian immigration requirements, all qualified candidates are encouraged to apply; however, Canadians and Permanent Residents will be given priority.