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Dean, School of Continuing Education
MacEwan University

MacEwan University, recognized under the Alberta Post-Secondary Learning Act as an undergraduate university, is the third largest university in Alberta and celebrated our 50th anniversary in 2021/22.

MacEwan provides a transformative education in a collaborative and supportive learning environment. Creativity thrives here—through research and innovation that engage students, faculty, and the community. We are focused on our students—providing them with choice and opportunities for success with a dynamic mix of undergraduate degrees, certificates, diplomas and degree-transfer programming. Programs and courses at MacEwan are offered through the Faculty of Arts and Science, Faculty of Fine Arts and Communications, Faculty of Health and Community Studies, Faculty of Nursing, the School of Business, and the School of Continuing Education.

Our new strategic framework, [*Teaching Greatness: Strategic Vision 2030*](#), incorporates concepts of motion and change and embodies MacEwan’s history. The new vision is bold and aspirational, and it is about redoubling our emphasis on exceptional undergraduate teaching. Under this plan, MacEwan University seeks to grow. It commits to impactful scholarship. It commits to a distinctive student experience rooted in the downtown. It seeks to support and to celebrate further great undergraduate teaching. It aspires to deliver programming in more flexible ways. And MacEwan University pursues these things in ways that honour the institution’s place in O-day’min, the heart of Edmonton.

Formed in 2014, MacEwan’s School of Continuing Education (SCE) offers lifelong learning opportunities to enhance your career and life, through credit and ministry approved programs, as well as non-credit courses. The school focuses on professional development in upskilling, reskilling, personal enrichment, and academic and language preparation. The school delivers professional development certificates and courses to domestic and international students in Business and Management, Art, Design & Digital Media, Health and Workplace Wellness, English as an Additional Language, University Preparation, and the Conservatory of Music.

Reporting to Provost and Vice-President Academic, the ***Dean, School of Continuing Education (SCE)*** is responsible for providing the overall strategic, academic, and administrative direction of the School. As a member of the Provost’s senior administration team and the General Faculties Council, the Dean will collaborate with MacEwan’s leadership to support the University’s strategic goals and priorities, and advance the culture and reputation of the SCE.

The Dean will provide leadership and support for the development and delivery of innovative and on-demand programming that is responsive to the needs of students and their communities. They will work collaboratively with sessional and tenured faculty and staff to ensure courses and programming are current, relevant, and appealing to a variety of learners for campus, hybrid, and online engagement. The Dean will take advantage of their strategic entrepreneurial and analytic skillset to maintain financial sustainability by building awareness of programs through creative marketing efforts, increasing student enrollment and retention, and driving revenue growth. The Dean will also strengthen effective internal working relationships across multiple stakeholder

groups, and develop collaborative initiatives with education, government, business and community partners, locally, nationally, and internationally.

Recognized as an inclusive leader and excellent communicator, the Dean will support access to education that aligns with MacEwan's commitment to: the principles of Indigeneity and reconciliation; of equity, diversity, and inclusion; sustainability, innovation, and entrepreneurship; and of connection, partnership, and place.

The successful candidate will have experience in a leadership role within the education environment as a Dean, Associate Dean, Department Chair or Director, or comparable senior role, coupled with a strong record in teaching and service, with eligibility for an appointment to a tenured academic position as a full Professor. The ideal candidate has a background in technology-enhanced continuing education / extended learning, university preparation, and English language proficiency, with exposure to micro-credential, credit and non-credit programming, and experience in on-campus, hybrid, and online program development and delivery. They are highly ethical, approachable and community orientated, with a transparent leadership style who values integrity, honesty, and equity.

Janet Soles and Associates has been retained to conduct this search on behalf of MacEwan University. For more information about this opportunity or to apply, please send your curriculum vitae and letter of interest in confidence to MacEwanDeanSCE@jssearch.ca.

MacEwan University is committed to diversity, equity, and inclusion. We encourage Indigenous people, persons living with a disability, sexual and gender minorities, women, and members of all minority groups to apply and to self-identify. All qualified candidates are encouraged to apply; however, Canadians and permanent residents will be given priority.