



Dean, Faculty of Arts and Science

Mount Saint Vincent University invites nominations, expressions of interest, and applications for the position of Dean, Faculty of Arts and Science, with the appointment to be effective July 2019.

Inspired by a strong tradition of social responsibility and an enduring commitment to the advancement of women, Mount Saint Vincent University (the Mount) promotes academic excellence and the pursuit of knowledge through scholarship, teaching, and intellectual endeavour of the highest quality. Recognized as a leader in flexible education, applied research, and a personalized approach to education, the University prides itself on its low student-to-professor ratios. Located on Canada's east coast in Halifax, Nova Scotia, Mount Saint Vincent University attracts outstanding faculty, staff, and over 4,000 students from around the world. For more information about the University, please visit www.msvu.ca.

The Faculty of Arts and Science provides undergraduate degrees (BA and BSc) to over 1,000 students within a setting of interdisciplinary linkages, small classroom sizes, expanding experiential learning opportunities, and excellent teaching and research. An MA in Women and Gender Studies is offered jointly with another university. There are 55 full-time faculty members, many of whom are recognized nationally and internationally for contributions to their fields. Among the faculty is a CRC in Social Innovation and Community Engagement, the NSERC Atlantic Chair for Women in Science and Engineering, and the Nancy's Chair in Women's Studies.

Reporting to the Vice-President Academic and Provost as part of the Mount's senior executive team, the Dean of Arts and Science will provide strategic direction, academic planning and research leadership, and administrative oversight to advance the Faculty's initiatives. Committed to excellence in teaching, research, student engagement, and the success of all members of the Faculty, the Dean will work collaboratively with internal

and external stakeholders to increase the resources and impact of the Faculty of Arts and Science.

The successful candidate will be a respected and innovative educator and leader with excellent academic qualifications and teaching and research achievements, administrative experience, and the skill to build strong relationships with a variety of internal and external stakeholders. A strategic thinker who values diversity and is a passionate advocate for the arts and sciences, the Dean will be a skilled communicator who will facilitate and enhance the endeavours of the Faculty and the University, through an open and collegial style, dynamic and creative leadership, outstanding management skills, and a flexible approach to problem solving. Experience building collaborative teams and working with a diverse range of internal and external partners will be important assets in this role.

Mount Saint Vincent University is strongly committed to fostering diversity and inclusion within our community and encourages applications from all qualified candidates including women, persons of any sexual orientations and gender identities and/or expressions, Indigenous persons, African Canadians, other racialized groups, persons with disabilities, and other groups that would contribute to the diversification of our campus. Candidates who identify as being from any of these groups are encouraged to voluntarily self-identify in their application materials.

The search committee will begin to consider potential candidates immediately and will continue until the position is filled. Applications should include a letter of introduction, curriculum vitae, and the names of three references (who will not be contacted without consent of the candidate), and may be forwarded electronically, in confidence, to the University's search consultant:

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