

Vice-President Academic and Provost Mount Saint Vincent University

Mount Saint Vincent University invites nominations, expressions of interest, and applications for the position of Vice-President Academic and Provost, with the appointment to be effective July 2019. This is an outstanding leadership opportunity in a university recognized for its commitment to nurturing socially responsible global citizens and making a difference.

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.

The Mount is renowned for its wide range of programs and areas of study within arts, science, education, and professional studies. More than a dozen graduate programs build on and enhance undergraduate strengths, including several that are unique to the region and to Canada. Home to the longest-standing and second-largest accredited co-operative education program in Atlantic Canada, the Mount combines hands-on learning and research experiences with generous scholarships and an active and engaging campus life. For more information about the University, please visit www.msvu.ca.

The Vice-President Academic and Provost is the chief academic officer of the University and a key member of the senior leadership team. Responsible for the planning, development, administration, and integrity of the Mount's academic and research affairs, the Vice-President Academic and Provost plays a major role in the fulfilment of the University's vision, mission, and values and the achievement of its goals. The Vice-President Academic and Provost works across the Mount in support of equity, diversity, and inclusion, and serves as a spokesperson for its strengths and achievements with a variety of internal and external stakeholders.

The successful candidate will be a respected educator, researcher, and academic leader who has a demonstrated ability to advance and transform university academic goals, programs, and priorities. Committed to building collegial relationships with students, faculty, staff, and promoting the University with the external community, the Vice-President Academic and Provost will possess an open and collegial style, outstanding management, communication, and interpersonal skills, a creative approach to problem solving, and the ability to inspire. The Vice-President Academic and Provost will be a strategic thinker and skilled communicator who will facilitate and enhance the academic and research endeavours of the Mount through sustaining positive working relationships with a wide variety of internal and external stakeholders, including University Senate, the Board of Governors, and the President.

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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