

Vice-President, Academic—St. Mary's University

St. Mary's University, located in Calgary, Alberta, is conducting an extensive search for a Vice-President Academic, and invites expressions of interest, applications and nominations. This is an excellent opportunity to lead the academics of a university that is rapidly expanding in offerings, degrees, faculty and staff, and student demand.

About St. Mary's University

St. Mary's University is located in the traditional territories of the Niitsitapi (Blackfoot) and the people of the Treaty 7 region in Southern Alberta, which includes the Siksika, the Piikani, the Kainai, the Tsuut'ina and the Iyaahe Nakoda. We are situated on land where the Bow River meets the Elbow River; the traditional Blackfoot name of this place is "Mohkinstsis," which we now call the City of Calgary. The City of Calgary is also home to Métis Nation of Alberta, Region 3. Our institution is an innovative teaching and research university that is founded on the Catholic intellectual tradition. Committed to academic freedom, St. Mary's is student-focused, welcoming to all, and prepares its students to become lifelong learners, engaged citizens and compassionate members of society. The University offers a variety of Bachelor's degrees in the liberal arts, sciences and education, in addition to transferable university courses in 35 academic disciplines. Located in Calgary on an historic 35-acre campus adjacent to a provincial park, the University's students and faculty enjoy an excellent sense of community and are inspired to combine academic, teaching and research achievement with a passionate commitment to ethics, social justice, and respect for diversity of opinion and belief.

Responsibilities

Reporting to the President as a key member of the University's leadership team, the Vice-President Academic is the chief academic officer of St. Mary's, responsible for:

- Academic planning and development and for on-going academic operations,
- Participating in strategic, budget, space and enrolment planning for the University,
- Acting as the President in their absence,
- Encouraging and fostering a collegial academic environment that supports excellence and innovation in teaching and learning,
- Supervising the Dean of Education, Dean of Arts & Sciences, Area Chairs, the University Librarian and the Director of Research and Grants.

Qualifications

The successful candidate will be an exemplary leader with senior academic administrative experience, hold a distinguished record of teaching and scholarship, and have a strong commitment to serving the needs of faculty, staff and students. They will possess a transparent working style, outstanding management, communication and interpersonal skills, a creative approach to problem solving, and the ability to inspire a dedicated faculty and staff. Candidates will have a thorough grasp of contemporary issues in post-secondary higher education, a collegial working style, and the ability to uphold and communicate the distinctive identity and mission of St. Mary's to a range of internal and external audiences.



St. Mary's University is passionate about building and sustaining an equitable and inclusive work environment for students, staff and faculty, where diversity in all areas is celebrated and valued. We encourage any and all qualified individuals to apply. Priority will be given to Canadians and permanent residents of Canada.

We will provide support and accommodations to applicants with disabilities, upon request. If you need accommodation in order to participate as a candidate in the recruitment process, please contact accommodate@kbrs.ca or communicate your needs to the recruitment professional named in the job description.

The appointment begins as soon as possible. If you are interested in this opportunity, contact Dr. Jennie Massey at jmassey@kbrs.ca, Kyle Steele at ksteele@kbrs.ca, or Debra Clinton at dclinton@kbrs.ca, or submit your full application package online at <https://www.kbrs.ca/Career/16210> by clicking the "Apply Now" button.