



ASSOCIATE VICE-PRESIDENT RESEARCH AND GRADUATE STUDIES

For 48 years, Thompson Rivers University (TRU) has taken pride in providing an excellent education to students with a variety of backgrounds and perspectives who are at various stages of their learning journey. TRU is a comprehensive, learner-centred, environmentally responsible institution that serves its regional, national, and international learners and their communities through high quality and flexible education, training, research and scholarship. From traditional academics to trades, from certificates to graduate degrees, TRU offers students choice from over 140 on-campus programs and 50 Open Learning programs. More than 28,500 students study on campuses in Kamloops and Williams Lake, or in distance or online courses and programs through Open Learning. Research, creation and innovation thrive in TRU's open, flexible learning environment.

As a member of the Research Universities' Council of BC, TRU brings teaching, scholarly activities and research, creative practice and innovation together to deliver research-informed learning to students regionally, nationally and internationally. TRU is a national leader in undergraduate research with a unique suite of undergraduate research programs that offer students increasing levels of research autonomy from engaging as research assistants, to undertaking independent projects, to sharing through ambassador programs. Through these programs, students experience high impact practice learning and inspiration, with direct support from faculty mentors. The Office of Research and Graduate Studies endeavours to create an environment that fosters research excellence and the development of high calibre graduate programs. The portfolio includes research services, industry liaison, research communications, graduate and undergraduate student research programs, knowledge mobilization, and ethics and compliance.

The Associate Vice-President Research and Graduate Studies is responsible to the Provost and Vice-President Academic for providing strategic, creative, academic leadership and vision in facilitating planning for faculty and student research and graduate studies. The AVP will possess an open, transparent and collegial style of leadership, with the ability to collaborate with colleagues to develop plans, infrastructure and strategies in alignment with TRU's mission, vision, and strategic priorities. S/he will have excellent interpersonal and communication skills, with the ability to foster an environment in which all individuals and groups can be successful in performing diverse kinds of research. The AVP will have an outstanding academic record, a strong and deep commitment for research, and demonstrated experience as an inspirational leader, communicator, and mentor. A strong appreciation for the intellectual and operational diversity across the spectrum of disciplines within TRU is essential. A doctoral degree is required and the successful candidate must be eligible for tenure at the rank of full professor.

Thompson Rivers University is strongly committed to fostering diversity within our community. We welcome those who would contribute to the further diversification of our staff, our faculty and its scholarship including, but not limited to, women, visible minorities, Indigenous people, persons with disabilities and persons of any sexual orientation or gender identity. Please note that all qualified candidates are encouraged to apply; however, applications from Canadians and permanent residents will be given priority.

This is an exciting and challenging opportunity to serve in a leadership role at one of Canada's most innovative universities. To apply or learn more, please contact Cameron Geldart at 604.926.0005 or forward your application package (current CV, a letter of introduction and a list of three references) in confidence to cameron@thegeldartgroup.com.