Located in Canada’s most enterprising city, the traditional territory of the peoples of Treaty 7 and Region 3 of the Métis Nation of Alberta, the University of Calgary (UCalgary) is a global and innovative intellectual hub for teaching and learning, research and scholarship, and community engagement.

Advancement at UCalgary is a team of 200+ professionals dedicated to amplifying the impact of the University of Calgary in our communities. The unit features a number of major functions including Communications; Development; Alumni, Community and Partnerships; and Advancement Services. We work in partnership with our academic and administrative colleagues across the University and with a wide variety of community members. These partnerships, along with a deeply integrated approach within Advancement, expand our collective ability to advance the University of Calgary in its mission to make a transformative contribution to the city, the region, the country and the world.

Reporting to the Vice-President (Advancement), the Associate Vice-President (Alumni, Community and Partnerships) is responsible for engaging the University’s alumni community along with its community and industry stakeholders in support of the University and its goals. In this newly-expanded role, the Associate Vice-President will inspire 200,000+ alumni, members of the community and organizations to engage with the University as ambassadors and partners to create mutually-beneficial connections. This leader will guide a skilled team in visioning and delivering an integrated alumni, community and industry partnership engagement strategy that will increase positive and meaningful interactions between the University and its communities globally, nationally, provincially, and locally. The Associate Vice-President will also oversee a broad range of strategic events to position the University effectively in maximizing its advancement goals with alumni, donors, community and industry partners. The role also provides oversight of the secretariat for the University Senate and supports the Chancellor.

As a key member of the Advancement Leadership Team, the Associate Vice-President will collaborate actively with senior colleagues to maximise the opportunities for strategic and operational integration across the various Advancement portfolios to enhance our overall effectiveness. The Associate Vice-President will also work closely with leaders in Faculties and other units across the University to ensure that portfolio programs support institutional goals and priorities.

The ideal candidate is a visible community leader who possesses a university degree in Marketing, Business, Communications, or a relevant discipline (a Masters degree is considered an asset) and 10 to 15 years of progressive experience with high-level stakeholder engagement at the local and national scope. Experience in alumni, industry, stakeholder and/or community is necessary for this impactful and critical position, while a strong understanding of the complexities of the university environment would be a strong asset. Strong candidates will have experience working with Boards and high-level community engagement in a large, complex organization with a multi-faceted stakeholder environment (post-secondary, not-for-profit, and/or public sector). Applicants will have highly effective presentation and public speaking skills and a rich understanding of the important
role alumni, community and industry stakeholders play in achieving societal impact. Given the diversity of our alumni community and our other stakeholders, the Office of Advancement is actively seeking diverse candidates who will bring expertise and experience in engaging diverse and underrepresented communities. The Associate Vice-President (Alumni, Community and Partnerships) will leverage existing strengths and create new opportunities to heighten the University’s reputation and impact.

To explore this opportunity further, please send your CV and Letter of Interest in confidence to: UofCAVP@jssearch.ca

The University of Calgary recognizes that a diverse staff/faculty benefits and enriches the work, learning and research experiences of the entire campus and greater community. We are committed to removing barriers that have been historically encountered by some people in our society. We strive to recruit individuals who will further enhance our diversity and will support their academic and professional success while they are here; in particular, we encourage members of equity-deserving groups (women, Indigenous Peoples, persons with disabilities, members of visible minorities and diverse sexual orientation and gender identities) to apply. All qualified candidates are encouraged to apply; however, Canadians and permanent residents will be given priority. To ensure a fair and equitable assessment, we offer accommodation at any stage during the recruitment process to applicants with disabilities. Questions regarding diversity or requests for accommodation can be sent to Human Resources (hrhire@ucalgary.ca).

The University of Calgary’s comprehensive benefits and pension program is designed to promote a productive level of health and well-being to staff members. The salary range for this position is $165,000 - $248,400 and is subject to the approval of the University of Calgary’s Human Resources and Governance Committee. To learn about our comprehensive benefits package for this Calgary-based, English speaking position, please visit https://www.ucalgary.ca/hr/benefits-pension.

The University of Calgary
UCalgary is one of Canada's top five comprehensive research universities, with over 6,500 graduate students and 28,500 undergraduate students, over 1,800 academic staff (continuing, contingent term or limited term appointment), and more than 1,300 sessionals, over 3,200 non-academic staff, in 14 Faculties, across five campuses. Our focus on impactful innovation and entrepreneurial thinking is giving our students the tools to succeed in our changing economy. The vibrant and research-intensive environment at UCalgary is home to 169 research chairs (75 Canada Research Chairs), and more than 50 research institutes and centres. UCalgary has the fastest growth rate in attracting research funding among the 10 largest universities in Canada. The recently completed Energize: The Campaign for Eyes High, was the third-largest fundraising campaign in Canadian history, surpassing our goal of $1.3 Billion.

We strive to innovate and create societal impact. With a consolidated budget of more than $1.4 billion, which includes an annual operating budget of just over $800 million and external research revenues of over $504 million, the University of Calgary is among Calgary’s largest employers and contributes nearly $16.5 billion annually to Alberta’s economy.
Through the Framework for Growth, the University will ignite a refreshed strategy to invigorate our Eyes High ambitions and strengthen our community engagement in one of Canada's most diverse and fastest growing cities. It supports the University of Calgary's academic and research plans as well as the Indigenous, mental health and sustainability strategies. It puts the University of Calgary on course to be the entrepreneurial university – one where students, faculty and staff face fewer barriers to innovation and more tools to change the world around them.

The Framework for Growth is a plan to empower a world-class faculty to tackle society's big problems and to let the leaders that make up our student body write their own future. It is built around three big ideas that will distinguish our university and drive growth: transdisciplinary scholarship, integration with our community and future-focused program delivery that will see us expand a more flexible and customizable UCalgary education experience.

To learn more about this vision please see: https://www.ucalgary.ca/president/growth

Calgary
Recently ranked the 3rd most liveable city in the world (2022) by The Economist Intelligence Unit, and possessing one of the youngest populations of major cities in Canada, Calgary is home to world-class attractions, sporting amenities and public infrastructure that supports a healthy lifestyle, making it a great place to raise a family (https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCnh-WugziiiHwMT44-sVwrA). Situated where the Canadian plains reach the sunny foothills of Canada's majestic Rocky Mountains, Calgary is a major urban centre surrounded by an area of profound beauty with an awe-inspiring mountains, lakes, rivers and gorgeous prairie.

Consistently rated by the United Nations as the world's best country to live in, Canada is the world's second largest country by total area and is one of the most ethnically diverse and multicultural nations. Canada ranks among the highest in international measurements of government transparency, civil liberties, quality of life, economic freedom, and education.