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Vice-President, Finance and Administration University of Lethbridge

The University of Lethbridge (uLethbridge), Alberta's Destination University, is a comprehensive and research-intensive university founded on the principles of liberal education, a place where inspired scholars truly and effectively integrate research and creativity with teaching. Many world-class researchers have made their home here and continue to push the boundaries of their disciplines supported by outstanding facilities and a thriving graduate and postdoctoral program.

Founded in 1967 on traditional Blackfoot land, we are a place where student engagement is prioritized, and students at all levels are involved in research and creative activities as part of their learning experiences on a daily basis. uLethbridge offers more than 150 undergraduate and 60 specialized graduate programs in the faculties of Arts & Science, Education, Fine Arts, Health Sciences, the School of Liberal Education, the School of Graduate Studies, and the Dhillon School of Business, at two campuses - Lethbridge and Calgary - to more than 8,250 students. uLethbridge takes pride in enhancing community engagement and is committed to collaborating with Indigenous peoples and communities to ensure that their partnerships, and ensuing programs, meet the needs of these communities. ULethbridge is committed to creating and supporting environments that incorporate principles of equity, diversity and inclusion, are respectful to all, and encourage diversity of thoughts in the discussions.

Reporting directly to the President and Vice-Chancellor, The ***Vice-President, Finance and Administration*** (the Vice-President) is responsible, fully or in a shared capacity, for seven reporting units (Ancillary Services, Facilities, Financial Services, Human Resources, Office of General Counsel, Pronghorns Athletics, and Recreation Services). The Vice-President plays a crucial role in aligning the University's operations and academic priorities along with the University Mandate Statement and the University Strategic Plan. Dedicated and committed to ensuring student success, the Vice-President is forward looking and innovative and will maintain and strengthen the current and long-term effectiveness of all financial functions, while also overseeing the development and implementation of financial, human resource and administrative systems.

With superior relationship building skills, the Vice-President takes part in negotiations and the administration of collective agreements with key University associations and actively engages in external relations and government affairs. The Vice-President will create an atmosphere within their portfolio that motivates staff members to contribute to the academic mandate, financial stability, human resource achievements and administrative excellence of the institution.

With an exceptional background in financial, operational, and administrative leadership, the candidate will have extensive experience leading in a complex public sector environment. They will ideally possess a chartered professional accounting designation (CPA) with an undergraduate or master's degree in business, administration or a related field. With a history of collaboration and achieving measurable results, they will possess the ability to link strategic planning to operational and business objectives while building and strengthening relationships with internal and external



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stakeholders and partners. The successful candidate is a transformational leader and mentor who exhibits effective political acumen and strong communication skills with the ability to engage, innovate, lead change, and inspire. They have a demonstrated commitment to equity, diversity, inclusion and indigenization and reconciliation, and will maintain a professional reputation to serve as a visible presence in the Lethbridge community.

Janet Soles and Associates has been retained to conduct this search on behalf of the University of Lethbridge. For more information about this opportunity or to apply, please send your curriculum vitae and letter of interest in confidence, with the subject line "VP, Finance and Admin" to apply@jssearch.ca

uLethbridge is committed to creating an inclusive, diverse, and representative workforce that is reflective of the community we serve. The University welcomes all applications from qualified candidates including all employment equity groups of Indigenous people, women, persons with disabilities, racialized individuals and persons of diverse gender and sexual orientation protected under the Alberta Human rights code. In accordance with the Canadian Immigration requirements, Canadian citizens and permanent residents will be given preference.