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## **Vice-Provost (Libraries) and University Librarian**

The University of Manitoba (U of M) invites nominations, applications, and expressions of interest for the position of Vice-Provost (Libraries) and University Librarian.

Reporting to the Provost and Vice-President (Academic), and working closely with vice-presidents, deans/directors, student groups, and all academic and administrative units that directly impact teaching, learning and research on campus, the Vice-Provost (Libraries) and University Librarian is a vital contributor to the University's senior leadership team, and champion of the Libraries' role in supporting the University's [strategic plan](#).

The Vice-Provost (Libraries) and University Librarian will bring strategic vision and innovative leadership to the Libraries' portfolio, and oversee the administration, budget, planning, and policy development across its multiple locations. The incumbent oversees all areas of the Libraries direction, advancing the research and teaching capacity of faculty and students.

As an essential partner in the mission of the University of Manitoba, the Libraries provide access to knowledge in support of the University's teaching, research and community service programs, housing more than 2.9 million items, offering access to 75,000-plus print and electronic journals, and over 1.1 million e-books. Through the Libraries' digital collections website, the community has access to more than nine million digital resources, including images, newspapers, books, videos and sound recordings.

The Vice-Provost (Libraries) and University Librarian will be an engaging leader at the forefront of digital learning and emerging technologies, skilled at fostering innovation in a collegial environment. An adept communicator, the appointment calls for an advocate for the Libraries both internally and externally, who nurtures partnerships and is passionate about promoting and supporting the research, teaching, and learning needs of faculty, students and staff. The Vice-Provost (Libraries) and University Librarian must possess a graduate level degree from an ALA-accredited institution in Library and Information Science, or Archival Studies, or equivalent, combined with senior administrative experience in academic library services. The term of appointment for the Vice-Provost (Libraries) and University Librarian will be for five years, renewable. The position carries a continuing appointment to the senior ranks of academic libraries at the University.

Recognized as Western Canada's first university, and located in the City of Winnipeg, the University of Manitoba is a place where students come to learn and be inspired. The University, home to approximately 30,000 students, almost 5,000 academic staff and support staff, offers a strong foundation in liberal arts, sciences and professional programs. As Manitoba's only medical-doctoral institution and as a member of the U15 group of Research Universities, the University dominates the Manitoba research landscape and ranks among Canada's most research-intensive universities. Over \$1.8 billion in annual economic activity in the



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province is attributable to the University of Manitoba, making it one of the most important contributors to the province's prosperity.

University of Manitoba campuses are located on the original lands of the Anishinaabeg, Cree, Oji-Cree, Dakota, and Dene peoples, and on the homeland of the Métis Nation. The University is honoured to have been chosen to host The National Centre for Truth and Reconciliation, which provides access for all to its innovative and progressive archive to foster reconciliation. The University of Manitoba is committed to Indigenous achievement and to making Manitoba a centre of excellence for Indigenous education and research.

For more information on the University of Manitoba, an institution that is taking its place on the world stage, visit <http://umanitoba.ca/>.

The University of Manitoba is strongly committed to equity and diversity within its community and especially welcomes applications from women, racialized persons/persons of colour, Indigenous peoples, persons with disabilities, persons of all sexual orientations and genders, and others who may contribute to the further diversification of ideas. All qualified candidates are encouraged to apply; however, Canadian citizens and permanent residents will be given priority. Application materials, including letters of reference, will be handled in accordance with the "Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act (Manitoba)."

Consideration of candidates will begin January 15, 2019 and will continue until the position is filled. Nominations, applications or expressions of interest should be directed to Gerri Woodford or Amanda Bugatto at [vlibrariesmanitoba@odgersberndtson.com](mailto:vlibrariesmanitoba@odgersberndtson.com).