Vice President, Academic and Provost
University of Northern British Columbia

Located in the spectacular landscape of northern British Columbia, UNBC is one of Canada’s best small universities, with a passion for teaching, discovery, people, the environment, and the North.

UNBC provides outstanding undergraduate and graduate learning opportunities that explore cultures, health, economies, sciences, and the environment. As one of B.C.’s leading research-intensive universities, UNBC brings the excitement of new knowledge to its students, and the outcomes of its teaching and research to the world. Home to 3,500 students, UNBC has been annually recognized as one of Canada’s top three primarily undergraduate universities and appears as one of only four BC-based Universities in Research Infosource’s Top 50 Research Universities annual rankings. UNBC’s motto, from the Dakelh (Carrier) Elders, is used to remind us that all people have a voice and a viewpoint. Directly translated as "that person also lives," and interpreted as "respecting all forms of life," ‘En Cha Huná encapsulates the spirit of academic freedom, respect for others, and willingness to recognize different perspectives.

UNBC is a university both in and for the North. This mission has instilled a strong sense of ownership, purpose, and adventure among its students, alumni, faculty, staff, and the communities it serves. UNBC is also Canada’s Green University™, leading the way to a more sustainable future for all.

The VP, Academic (VPA) and Provost, reporting to the President, is the University’s chief academic officer and is a key member of the senior executive team. The Vice President has overall responsibility to oversee comprehensive strategic planning, development, and implementation of academic matters, regional strategy and student services at the university. The Office of the VPA collaborates with governance, academic, administrative, research, finance, regional and other service areas of the University to ensure UNBC delivers excellence in academic programs and research initiatives. Above all, the Office of the VPA ensures that the needs of students, faculty and staff are met. Reporting to the VPA are Deans of the Faculties of Human and Health Sciences, Indigenous Studies, Social Sciences and Humanities, Science and Engineering, Environment, Business and Economics, and the Division of Medical Sciences along with academic support units such as Student Recruitment, IT Services, Office of the Registrar, the Geoffrey R. Weller Library, and the Centre for Teaching and Learning.

As the ideal candidate, you will have an exceptional record of scholarship and a demonstrated track record of success in academic leadership. With a passion for academic excellence and the student experience, the VPA and Provost will be committed to innovation, collaboration, and transparency. Through strong people skills, an inclusive approach and respect for diversity, inclusion and reconciliation, you are a proven relationship- and community-builder with the vision and strategic skills necessary to advance UNBC’s academic mission, nationally and internationally.

Based in B.C.’s northern capital, Prince George is a bustling city of approximately 76,000. The area offers a balanced and healthy lifestyle. Residents enjoy affordable housing, incomes above provincial averages, an extensive range of quality services, and ample cultural and sporting opportunities.

To explore this opportunity further, please click Apply.
UNBC encourages applications from all qualified individuals, including women, Indigenous people, visible minorities, and persons with disabilities. All qualified candidates are encouraged to apply, although Canadians and Permanent Residents will be given priority.

We thank all applicants for their interest in this position. Please note that we will only be in contact with those individuals moving forward with our client.