University of Prince Edward Island
Appointment of Dean of the Faculty of Education

We acknowledge that Mi’kma’ki is the ancestral and unceded territory of the Mi’kmaq people, who, in 1725 first signed the Treaties of Peace and Friendship with the British Crown. Those treaties did not deal with the surrender of lands and resources, but instead recognized Mi’kmaq title and negotiated a path toward an ongoing relationship between nations. We acknowledge we carry out our daily work in Mi’kma’ki.

The University of Prince Edward Island invites applications for the Dean of the Faculty of Education. This position represents an outstanding opportunity to play a critical role in shaping the future development and provision of education in Prince Edward Island and beyond. The anticipated start date is July 1, 2023 or on a date mutually agreed upon.

Formed in 1969 as the provincial university, UPEI honours its proud legacy through academic excellence and research innovation. In 2019, the University celebrated 50 years of outstanding leadership and achievement in education and research with a full year of commemorative events and activities. UPEI offers a wide range of programs and degrees to undergraduate, graduate, and doctoral students. Home to Canada Research Chairs, UNESCO Chairs, endowed and sponsored research chairs, and 3M National Teaching Fellows, UPEI offers its students access to exceptional faculty, researchers, and staff. Students come from all walks of life and from local, regional, national, and international locations to study and learn at UPEI. In the fall of 2021, international students from 98 countries comprised almost 30 per cent of the University’s total enrolment of students.

The Faculty of Education is committed to advancing lifelong learning through its undergraduate, graduate, and postgraduate studies to develop critical reflection, compassion, and innovation for educational leaders including teachers, community-based educators, and researchers in a variety of local and global contexts.

Reporting to the UPEI Vice-President, Academic and Research, the successful candidate will be an advocate for the Faculty of Education and be responsible for the overall leadership of the Faculty and the effective use of its resources. Exceptional interpersonal, management, and team-building skills are essential in this position. As an influential leader with strong administrative experience, the successful candidate must be able to strategize on how to attract and retain outstanding students, staff and faculty and motivate others in the pursuit of excellence in teaching, research, and community engagement. An understanding of the broader context for higher education in Atlantic Canada, fundraising experience and a demonstrable commitment to advancing equity, diversity and inclusion would be considered assets.

The University of Prince Edward Island is partnering with the executive search firm Perrett Laver on this search. Applications should consist of a full CV detailing academic and professional qualifications. Relevant achievements should be accompanied by a covering letter describing briefly how candidates meet the ‘candidate criteria’ listed above, why the appointment is of interest, and what they believe they bring to the role. The appointment of the new Dean will be effective July 1, 2023 or a date mutually agreed upon.

The Dean’s salary is determined by the UPEI / UPEIFA Collective Agreement and an additional decanal stipend. The salary range for this position is $152,000 to $191,000.

Further information, including details on how to apply can be found at www.perrettlaver.com/candidates quoting the reference number 6039. Applications should consist of a cover letter and curriculum vitae. The closing date for applications is 12:00 noon Eastern Time on November 25, 2022.

All qualified candidates are encouraged to apply; in accordance with Canadian Immigration requirements, Canadians and permanent residents will be given priority. Please indicate in your application package if you are a Canadian citizen or permanent resident.
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