The University of Saskatchewan (USask) is one of Canada’s leading research-intensive universities. As the only university in Canada with two Canada First Research Excellence Fund (CFREF) grants, USask is home to renowned research centres including the Canadian Light Source synchrotron, the Toxicology Centre, the Centre for the Study of Co-operatives, and the Vaccine and Infectious Disease Organization.

New knowledge through research, scholarly and artistic work underlies all academic endeavors across the university’s 17 colleges and schools. With a diverse faculty of talented and imaginative researchers, the accomplishments of the university’s faculty and students are broad and wide-reaching. Their research, scholarly and artistic accomplishments impact health care, agriculture, technology, education, environment, economics, policy development, and a multitude of other challenges in communities around the globe. Whether it is novel vaccines, new improved crop varieties, or innovative literacy education programs, USask research touches the lives of people locally and throughout the world. Through collaboration with researchers across the country and partnering with the local community, industry, government, and indigenous communities, the University of Saskatchewan is working to find solutions to pressing societal and scientific challenges.

Against this impressive backdrop, USask is looking to appoint their next vice-president research. Reporting directly to the president, the vice-president research plays a crucial role in driving forward the university’s research strategy. They will encourage and facilitate high-quality research activity across the university, while leading the development of strong relationships with key external partners and research funding bodies to ensure continued growth of research income and high-quality research impact and outputs.

The successful candidate will be an exceptional scholar and researcher who brings significant experience of academic and research leadership within a complex and globally engaged research institution. The VPR will possess an entrepreneurial spirit and a deep awareness of the evolving research funding landscape.

The University of Saskatchewan is strongly committed to a diverse and inclusive workplace that empowers all employees to reach their full potential. All members of the university community share a responsibility for developing and maintaining an environment in which differences are valued and inclusiveness is practiced.

The university welcomes applications from those who will contribute to the diversity of our community. All qualified candidates are encouraged to apply; however, Canadian citizens and permanent residents will be given priority.

To learn more about this outstanding leadership opportunity, please contact Maureen Geldart of The Geldart Group at 604.926.0005 or apply by sending your curriculum vitae, cover letter and the names and contact information for 3 referees, in strictest confidence to info@thegeldartgroup.com. We will respond to all who apply.