The University of Toronto is conducting a search for Dean of the Faculty of Information (iSchool), to take office by July 1, 2023, and invites expressions of interest, applications, and nominations. This is an exciting opportunity to join one of the world’s leading information and knowledge management schools that is transforming society through collaboration, innovation, and knowledge creation.

The Faculty of Information is a research-led Faculty of more than 600 students, 61 faculty, instructors, and librarians, and 23 staff. The iSchool is educating the next generation of professional and academic leaders in information, communications, and technology and leading the way in shaping these fields through groundbreaking interdisciplinary research and teaching. Innovative undergraduate, graduate, and doctoral programs in Information offer cutting-edge specializations including Archives and Records Management, Culture & Technology, Critical Information Policy Studies, Human-Centered Data Science, Information Systems & Design, Knowledge Management & Information Management, Library & Information Science, and User Experience Design. The Master of Museum Studies is unique in Canada and can be combined with a Master of Information, allowing students to gain expertise in the cross-section of these areas. The iSchool is home to the McLuhan Centre for Culture and Technology, the Digital Curation Institute, the Identity, Privacy & Security Institute, the Knowledge Media Design Institute, the Technoscience Research Unit, the Critical Making Laboratory and the Artificial Intelligence for Justice Lab.

Reporting to the Vice-President and Provost, the Dean of the Faculty of Information is a member of the senior leadership of the University of Toronto, and provides visionary strategic direction, academic planning leadership, and administrative oversight. As the chief academic and administrative officer, the new Dean will lead the Faculty to further excellence in teaching and research, and work collaboratively with internal and external partners to continue to raise its achievements, reputation, and resources.

The successful candidate will be an accomplished scholar and administrator with a distinguished record in teaching and research and a firm commitment to excellence, equity, and diversity. As the strategic leader of the iSchool, the new Dean will be a proven academic leader and possess an open and collegial style, a creative approach to problem solving, outstanding management, communication, and interpersonal skills, and a record of building strong teams and engagement with the community.

The Search Committee will begin considering potential candidates immediately and will continue until the position is successfully filled. Applications (including a letter of interest and curriculum vitae) can be sent to Jessa Chupik or Jason Murray by emailing jchupik@bipocsearch.com, or can be submitted through the BIPOC Executive Search mobile app.

The University of Toronto (U of T) is consistently ranked as one of the world’s leading institutions of higher learning. Located in the vibrant and diverse city of Toronto, U of T is consistently ranked among the top 20 universities in the world for teaching, research, and innovation by Times Higher Education, and also leads in disciplinary excellence with top ranked departments in fields ranging from neuroscience to geography to philosophy. The University of Toronto Libraries system is the largest academic library in Canada and is consistently ranked in the top ten among peer institutions in North America.

The University of Toronto is strongly committed to diversity within its community and especially welcomes applications from racialized persons / persons of colour, women, Indigenous Aboriginal People of North America, persons with disabilities, LGBTQ persons, and others who may contribute to the further diversification of ideas. In accordance with the AODA, accommodation will be provided to individuals with disabilities throughout the recruitment process. Please note that all qualified candidates are encouraged to apply, but applications from Canadians and permanent residents will be given priority.