Victoria University, in the University of Toronto, is conducting an extensive search for a President and Vice-Chancellor, to take office July 2022, and invites expressions of interest, applications, and nominations. This is an exciting opportunity to lead a unique Canadian university that champions broad-based, inclusive education driven by curiosity and conscience, and welcomes people from all walks of life into a community of learning.

Founded by Methodists in 1836, Victoria University has earned a distinguished reputation for excellence and creativity, while providing an inclusive and collegial environment within the heart of Canada’s top research university. Victoria University has approximately 3,700 students, 93 faculty, 73 Fellows, and 300 staff. The University is comprised of Victoria College, an undergraduate arts and science college of the University of Toronto, and Emmanuel College, a graduate theological college associated with the United Church of Canada. In the last two decades, Victoria University has developed a suite of signature programs which foster high-impact student engagement at both of its colleges. Its more than 45,000 alumni include some of Canada’s most recognized theologians, innovators, writers, artists, scientists, educators, and political leaders. The campus combines a mix of historical and modern buildings, and is located steps from the array of cultural, entertainment, and sports attractions available in diverse and vibrant Toronto. For further information about Victoria University and its two colleges, please visit the website at www.vicu.utoronto.ca.

The President and Vice-Chancellor is the senior executive officer of Victoria University and is responsible for its academic and administrative operation, reporting to the University’s governing body, the Board of Regents. The President provides inspirational, strategic, academic, and financial leadership, and works co-operatively within Victoria University and with the University of Toronto to strengthen and expand its programs and activities in ways that exemplify its role as a leading university in Canada. The President will represent Victoria University with the external community to advance its mission and vision, increase its resources and well being, and to raise its profile locally, provincially, nationally, and internationally.

The President and Vice-Chancellor will be a visionary and strategic leader with a superior professional and academic profile, including a significant record of scholarship, a demonstrated commitment to students, outstanding interpersonal skills, and the executive leadership ability to guide the affairs of Victoria University. Candidates will have a collegial working style, experience or interest in fundraising, and the ability to further the interests of both of Victoria’s colleges within the wider University of Toronto community, and nationally and internationally. The University of Toronto has one of the world’s most diverse student bodies and the President must appreciate, nurture, and promote equity, diversity, and inclusion as significant values of Victoria University.

Victoria University is committed to equity in access to employment and a diverse and inclusive workplace. The University encourages applications from racialized persons/persons of colour, women, Indigenous people, persons with disabilities, LGBTQ2+ persons, and others who may contribute to the further diversification of ideas.

The search committee will begin considering potential candidates immediately and will continue until the role is successfully filled. Applications should include a letter of introduction, curriculum vitae, and the names of three references (who will not be contacted without consent of the candidate) and be forwarded in confidence to:

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