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## President and Vice-Chancellor

Lakehead University

Lakehead University is conducting an extensive international search for a President and Vice-Chancellor to take office by January 2019, and invites expressions of interest, applications and nominations.

Lakehead is a comprehensive university with a reputation for innovative programs and cutting-edge research. With campuses located in Thunder Bay and Orillia, Ontario, the University has almost 10,000 full-time equivalent students and 2,000 faculty and staff. Offering a variety of degree and diploma programs at the undergraduate, graduate and doctoral levels, Lakehead is home to Ontario's newest Faculty of Law and the Northern Ontario School of Medicine, in addition to Faculties of Engineering, Business Administration, Health & Behavioural Sciences, Social Sciences & Humanities, Science & Environmental Studies, Natural Resources Management, Education, and Graduate Studies. Lakehead has annual expenditures of \$178.5 million, with an estimated annual economic impact on Ontario's GDP of \$1.3 billion from its Thunder Bay campus and \$122.7 million from its Orillia campus. Maclean's 2018 University Rankings have, once again, included Lakehead among the country's Top 10 universities in its category. In 2017, for the third consecutive year, Research Infosource ranked Lakehead first among Canada's undergraduate universities. Located at the head of Lake Superior, Lakehead's Thunder Bay campus is one of the most beautiful in Canada, with many of its programs complemented by fieldwork and a focus on northern socio-economic issues. Further information is available at [www.lakeheadu.ca](http://www.lakeheadu.ca).

Responsible for the overall leadership of Lakehead University's academic and

administrative affairs, government and community relations, and philanthropy, the President and Vice-Chancellor serves as the Chief Executive Officer, the Chair of the Senate, and as a Board of Governors and Ogimaawin-Aboriginal Governance Council member. Based in Thunder Bay, the successful candidate will promote Lakehead University by maintaining and developing mutually rewarding relationships with all of its constituents in Thunder Bay, Orillia, the province of Ontario, nationally, and internationally. By providing academic and administrative leadership throughout the University, the President and Vice-Chancellor will continue to foster Lakehead's abilities and reputation in teaching, research and community outreach.

The successful candidate will be dynamic and forward-looking with strong academic credentials and demonstrated success in collegial academic leadership and community engagement. The new President will build on Lakehead University's existing industry, research, and academic partnerships, and work to enhance academic excellence and provide an innovative, safe, diverse, and student-centred learning environment at both campuses. Candidates must have a thorough grasp of contemporary issues in post-secondary education, the skills to represent the interests of the University effectively with all its stakeholders and levels of government, and a proven track record that demonstrates the ability to guide the affairs of the overall University. Candidates will possess outstanding judgement, management, communication, and interpersonal skills, and have the capacity to build and sustain positive working relationships with students, faculty, staff, and alumni, as well as a wide variety of external groups.

Lakehead University is committed to creating a diverse and inclusive environment and welcomes applications from all qualified individuals including women, racialized persons, Indigenous people, persons with disabilities and other equity-seeking groups. All qualified applicants are

encouraged to apply; however, priority will be given to qualified Canadian citizens and permanent residents.

The Search Committee will begin considering potential candidates in mid-January 2018 and will continue until the position is successfully filled. Applications, including a letter of interest, curriculum vitae and the names of three references (who will not be contacted without consent of the applicant), should be submitted in confidence, electronically, to the University's executive search consultants:

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