Dean, Faculty of Architecture

The University of Manitoba invites nominations and applications for the position of Dean, Faculty of Architecture.

Established in 1963, the Faculty of Architecture’s urban-prairie setting is Canada’s central crucible of creativity and cultural complexity, offering a stimulating environment for work that is both artistically ambitious, as it is socially and environmentally responsible. Comprised of the Departments of Architecture, City Planning, Interior Design and Landscape Architecture, as well as the multidisciplinary undergraduate program in Environmental Design, the Faculty is the first across Canada to offer four fully accredited postgraduate, built-environment programs - Master of Architecture, Master of City Planning, Master of Interior Design and Master of Landscape Architecture - in addition to a newly invigorated PhD program in Design and Planning. The Faculty houses an interdisciplinary research laboratory (the Centre for Architectural Structures and Technology) and maintains productive partnerships with professionals, industry partners, community members and international leaders in architecture and design. Faculty members are strongly dedicated to teaching and advancing the discipline, which speaks to the Faculty’s enriching student experience and excellent placement record. The Faculty of Architecture presents an attractive destination for both students and academics in the field, given its focus upon design excellence and teaching, combined with its commitment to improving the quality of the built environment. For more information about the Faculty of Architecture, visit https://umanitoba.ca/faculties/architecture/

The University is seeking an individual to bring inspirational leadership to the Faculty, working collaboratively with faculty members, staff, and the academic leadership team to enhance the Faculty’s academic infrastructure and scholarly profile. Reporting to the Provost and Vice-President (Academic), the Dean of the Faculty of Architecture will be a distinguished academic and researcher appointable at a senior professorial rank, who will have a broad understanding of, and appreciation for the range of scholarship and practice within the Faculty. The Dean will effectively manage budgets and resources, oversee academic administration, program development and experiential learning opportunities, and encourage world-leading research and interdisciplinary collaboration.

As an advocate for the Faculty, the Dean will promote scholarly excellence and pedagogical innovation, nurture mutually beneficial relationships with internal and external stakeholders, and provide sound strategic advice on academic issues affecting the University. The Dean will be an engaging leader who will encourage collegiality and collaboration across other faculties and colleges, promote interdisciplinary initiatives, and empower the highly dedicated group of faculty, staff and students that can be found in the Faculty. The successful candidate will have a proven track record of consultative and decisive leadership, be an excellent communicator and motivator and a champion for matters of equity, diversity, inclusion, and accessibility. To view the candidate brief please click HERE.

Recognized as Western Canada’s first university, and located in the City of Winnipeg, the University of Manitoba is a place where students come to learn and be inspired. The University, home to approximately 30,000 students, 5,000 academic staff and 3,950 support staff, offers a strong foundation in liberal arts, sciences and professional programs. As Manitoba’s only medical-doctoral institution and as a member of the U15 group of Research Universities, the University dominates the Manitoba research landscape and ranks among Canada’s most research-intensive universities, with an allocation of 46
Canada Research Chairs. Over $2.4 billion in annual economic activity in the province is attributable to the University of Manitoba, making it one of the most important contributors to the province’s prosperity.

University of Manitoba campuses are located on the original lands of the Anishinaabeg, Cree, Oji-Cree, Dakota, and Dene peoples, and on the homeland of the Métis Nation. The University is honoured to have been chosen to host The National Centre for Truth and Reconciliation, which provides access for all to its innovative and progressive archive to foster reconciliation. The University of Manitoba is committed to Indigenous achievement and to making Manitoba a centre of excellence for Indigenous education and research.

For more information on the University of Manitoba, an institution that is taking its place on the world stage, visit http://umanitoba.ca/.

The University of Manitoba is strongly committed to equity and diversity within its community and especially welcomes applications from women, racialized persons/persons of colour, Indigenous peoples, persons with disabilities, persons of all sexual orientations and genders, and others who may contribute to the further diversification of ideas. All qualified candidates are encouraged to apply; however, Canadian citizens and permanent residents will be given priority. Application materials, including letters of reference, will be handled in accordance with the “Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act (Manitoba)."

Consideration of candidates will begin in January 2020 and will continue until the position is filled. Nominations, applications or expressions of interest should be directed to Gerri Woodford or Krutika Hotwani at architecturemanitoba@odgersberndtson.com.