Dean, Faculty of Social Work

University of Manitoba

Location: Winnipeg

Celebrating its 75th anniversary, the Faculty of Social Work at the University of Manitoba is one of the oldest and most progressive social work programs in Canada. Offering a comprehensive set of undergraduate and graduate programs from three different campuses in the province, along with a large distance delivery program, the Faculty is home to 60 faculty and staff and over 900 students; of which approximately 29% are self-declared Indigenous. The Faculty is committed to maintaining and advancing its leadership position in Indigenous education in Canada and recently introduced a new Master of Social Work based in Indigenous Knowledges Program.

As the only university-based, accredited social work program in Manitoba and one of the largest programs in Canada, the Faculty’s vision includes playing a leading role in the socio-economic-cultural development of the Province in particular, but also to Canada and beyond, which is consistent with the University’s own vision statement. To meet this vision, the Faculty will continue to be one of the outstanding social work programs in Canada with respect to research, quality education, community service, and the accomplishments of its graduates.

The new Dean will join at a time of renewal, with the opportunity to recruit new faculty and mentor a number of recent faculty hires, shaping the Faculty for decades to come. With multiple campuses, including a significant inner city program, the Dean will provide leadership to a complex organization and one of the few stand-alone Faculties of Social Work in the country. The new Dean will have the opportunity to complete the goals of the existing strategic plan and begin developing with faculty and staff a new strategic plan that charts a path forward over the next five to ten years.

The ideal candidate will have a Ph.D. in Social Work or related discipline, along with experience in the field of social work and a scholarly record consistent with an appointment at the rank of Associate Professor or Professor with tenure. With a demonstrated aptitude for academic leadership, the Dean will be able to engage and inspire a diverse range of people in the evolution of the Faculty’s vision. With a passion for social work and social justice, the Dean will be a dedicated and effective ambassador for the Faculty with external stakeholders and communities.

For more information on this exciting opportunity, please contact Alex Verdecchia at Boyden at 604-685-0261 or averdecchia@boyden.com. To apply, please submit your resume by clicking on this link.

The University of Manitoba is committed to Equity and diversity within its community and especially welcomes applications from women, members of racialized communities, Indigenous persons, 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.