University of Manitoba Mission: To create, preserve, communicate and apply knowledge, contributing to the cultural, social and economic well-being of the people of Manitoba, Canada and the world.

The University of Manitoba invites expressions of interest, nominations and applications for the position of Dean, Faculty of Agricultural and Food Sciences.

Established in 1906, the Faculty of Agricultural and Food Sciences continues to be an international leader in the agri-food industry. Its high standard of excellence in both teaching and research are demonstrated by the strength of its programs, success of its research funding, and breadth of its research impacts. Today, the Faculty of Agricultural and Food Sciences is well respected across Canada and globally for its scientific performance. High-caliber programs are offered to more than 1,200 students at the diploma, undergraduate and graduate levels. Innovative research is nurtured by their state-of-the-art facilities both on and off campus, through their four Research Centres and through strong partnerships with government and industry.

Reporting to the Provost and Vice-President (Academic), the Dean is a member of the University’s senior leadership team and is responsible for the academic and administrative leadership of the Faculty. The successful candidate will be innovative and visionary, possessing the correct combination of skills and experience to steer the Faculty toward realizing its vision “To nourish the World, without costing the Earth”. To this end, the Faculty boasts a remarkable research enterprise and facilities, and the Dean will inspire, guide and support the Faculty in continuing to generate leading-edge research and results that directly impact the provincial economy and beyond. Holding an outstanding personal research record, the incumbent will be highly respected and will have developed an extensive list of contacts within industry and government who enthusiastically endorse their work and leadership. The Dean will also bring an appreciation of the dynamic environment of the University, the Faculty and the agri-food sector as a whole. With this, the successful candidate will possess the ability to lead and manage change in a collaborative manner, understanding the challenges that face a multidisciplinary Faculty. It is through informed decision making and a global perspective that the Dean will ensure that Faculty programs and services best meet the needs of a growing student population.

Located on Anishinaabe and Métis traditional land, the University of Manitoba is Western Canada’s first university and a member of Canada’s U15 group of research intensive universities. It is home to almost 30,000 students and offers a broad range of undergraduate and graduate programs. 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.

Consideration of candidates will begin in April 2018. Nominations, applications or expressions of interests may be directed to Brock Higgins at brock@leadersinternational.com.

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