DEAN, DIVISION OF EXTENDED EDUCATION

The University of Manitoba is seeking a Dean to lead the Division of Extended Education. Candidates who currently hold a doctorate and a full-time academic position at the University of Manitoba and who have experience with continuing education or professional development initiatives are invited to apply.

As Dean, the incumbent will ensure high standards of developing and delivering non-degree continuing education and pathways to degree studies, and will provide leadership, foster collaboration with both community and industry as well as academic faculties, schools and colleges and support multi- and interdisciplinarity. The Division of Extended Education is the preferred higher education non-degree training partner in Manitoba, and a premier provider of in-person, hybrid and online continuing education and professional programming in Canada, with 10,000 course registrations in 100+ non-credit (or non-degree) courses each year. The Division of Extended Education is engaged in outreach activities to meet the lifelong learning needs of a diverse population through innovative and flexible educational opportunities that enhance learners’ success provincially, nationally, and internationally. Providing a significant educational bridge between the University and its communities, the Division of Extended Education offers part-time flexible programs, short-term, full-time intensive program packages, the UM Access Program, General Studies, and University preparatory courses. The Division has a high-quality team of staff to support these functions and the Dean is responsible for the efficient and effective functioning of the Division.

As Dean of the Division of Extended Education, the incumbent will serve on the University’s senior leadership team to ensure that the importance of the continuing education enterprise is considered in the decisions, actions, and strategic mission of the University. The Dean will work closely with other members of the senior leadership team and be an advocate and an action-oriented leader in fulfilling the University’s mandate and priorities including high quality and innovative teaching; research and creative excellence; exceptional student experience; advancing Indigenous engagement, Reconciliation and excellence in Indigenous education; advancing the principles of equity, diversity, and inclusion and anti-racism; and fostering community engagement.

Reporting to the Vice-Provost (Teaching and Learning), the Dean will be an inspiring and visionary leader, strategically managing resources and championing advancement efforts for continuing education, while ensuring these efforts are aligned with the University's Strategic Plan. The successful candidate will demonstrate a commitment to continuing education excellence, research and scholarly achievement, academic freedom, and collegial governance, and will possess a proven track record of successful academic leadership with the ability to communicate, build connections, and reach out and establish good relationships with partners at all levels (e.g., Deans/Directors, Associate Deans, and academic and administrative unit heads.) Candidates will hold a PhD or equivalent and a full-time academic position at the University of Manitoba.
Preference will be given to those who have experience with continuing education or professional development initiatives.

For further information on the position please refer to the attached position profile.

Additional Information

The University of Manitoba is committed to the principles of equity, diversity, and inclusion and to promoting opportunities in hiring, promotion, and tenure (where applicable) for systemically under-represented groups who have been excluded from full participation at the University and the larger community including Indigenous Peoples, women, racialized persons, persons with disabilities and those who identify as 2SLGBTQIA+ (Two Spirit, lesbian, gay, bisexual, trans, questioning, intersex, asexual, and other diverse sexual identities). All qualified candidates are encouraged to apply; however, Canadian citizens and permanent residents will be given priority.

If you require accommodation supports during the recruitment process, please contact UM.Accommodation@umanitoba.ca or 204-474-7195. Please note this contact information is for accommodation reasons only.

Application materials, including letters of reference, will be handled in accordance with the “Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act (Manitoba).” Please note that curriculum vitae may be provided to participating members of the search process.

Nominations and applications should be submitted by Friday, October 20, 2023. Interested candidates shall provide an application package (curriculum vitae; a statement on the candidate’s vision for continuing education that demonstrates a commitment to reconciliation and anti-racism and contributions to diversity, equity and inclusion, and/or human rights and social justice activities in their teaching, research, service, and/or other experiences; and the names of at least three references), in confidence, to Dr. Diane Hiebert-Murphy, Chair, Presidential Advisory Committee, in care of Michelle SookbirSingh, via email at Michelle.SookbirSingh@umanitoba.ca.