



DEPUTY PROVOST, ACADEMIC OPERATIONS

Athabasca University (AU), Canada's Open University, is dedicated to the removal of barriers that restrict access to and success in university-level study and to increasing equality of educational opportunity for adult learners worldwide. As Canada's only digital learning university, created by Alberta innovators, Athabasca University's classrooms, collaboration spaces and student hubs are not bricks and mortar but Cloud and Code. Athabasca University provides learning for life. Through the achievements of its students, faculty and staff, AU stands out as a provider of high quality post-secondary education. AU serves over 40,000 students and offers more than 850 courses in more than 55 undergraduate and graduate programs in a range of arts, science and professional disciplines. To learn more about AU, please visit www.athabascau.ca.

AU invites applications, expressions of interest and nominations for the position of Deputy Provost, Academic Operations.

It is truly an exciting time at Athabasca University. An ambitious five-year strategic plan, *Imagine: Transforming Lives, Transforming Communities* is in its second year, the *Imagine Learning Framework* has been established and the institution continues to undergo significant transformational change. The Deputy Provost has responsibility for the Office of the Registrar, Learner Support Services, the Centre for Learning Accreditation and Student Awards which is inclusive of a passionate and dedicated professional staff of more than 70. Reporting to the Provost and Vice President Academic, the Deputy Provost, Academic Operations will join the academic leadership team to lead the development of innovative recruitment and enrolment management strategies aimed at the delivery of an outstanding learner experience.

This is a critical appointment for AU that calls for a visionary, strategic, passionate and imaginative individual to lead the bold transformation of operations that support AU's academic mission and the new Learning Framework. An effective and experienced operations leader, the successful candidate will ideally hold a graduate degree and bring a background of supporting a vibrant and future-oriented learner experience. Superior communication skills, a commitment to diversity and inclusion in all its forms, a genuine passion for learner success and the capacity to work collaboratively a diverse array of colleagues are essential.

Athabasca University develops and maintains an environment that supports equitable working conditions for individuals traditionally unrepresented in universities. AU is committed to employment equity, encouraging applications from women, indigenous peoples, persons with disabilities, and members of visible minorities. All qualified candidates are encouraged to apply; however Canadians and permanent residents of Canada will be given priority.

This is an exciting opportunity to serve in a transformational capacity at Canada's leading online university. Should you want to learn more please call Cameron Geldart or Maureen Geldart of The Geldart Group at 604.926.0005 or forward your CV, a letter of introduction and the names of three referees, in confidence, to nicola@thegeldartgroup.com.





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- A visionary, strategic and imaginative leader
- A terminal degree is preferred; a graduate degree is required
- A transformational change agent
- Demonstrated understanding of university priorities
- Demonstrated ability to develop and implement institutional and unit strategies aligned to university priorities
- Demonstrated financial acumen in resource planning
- Deep understanding of new student services approaches to benefit academic operations
- Values and encourages diverse points of view

AU offers a competitive salary and benefits package. Salary Range: Will be negotiated.

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