

DEAN, SCHOOL OF NURSING

For 48 years, Thompson Rivers University (TRU) has taken pride in providing an excellent education to students with a variety of backgrounds and perspectives who are at various stages of their learning journey. TRU is a comprehensive, learner-centred, environmentally responsible institution that serves its regional, national, and international learners and their communities through high quality and flexible education, training, research and scholarship. From traditional academics to trades, from certificates to graduate degrees, TRU offers students choice from over 140 on-campus programs and 50 Open Learning programs. More than 28,500 students study on campuses in Kamloops and Williams Lake and in regional centres throughout the Interior, or in distance or online courses and programs through Open Learning. Research, creation and innovation thrive in TRU's open, flexible learning environment.

The School of Nursing has a rich history in providing nursing education in British Columbia. With approximately 65 full-time and sessional faculty members across its two sites in Kamloops and Williams Lake, the School has a strong commitment to student learning. The School offers a variety of healthcare programs including a Master of Nursing, Bachelor of Science in Nursing, Practical Nursing (Williams Lake), Health Care Assistant (both Kamloops and Williams Lake) and Indigenous Pathways to Health Career Programs. With the goal of providing outstanding patient-centred care in an integrated healthcare environment, the School works diligently to promote community based partnerships and outreach.

As the School's chief academic and administrative officer, the Dean is responsible to the Provost and Vice-President Academic for providing dynamic and visionary leadership in the articulation and implementation of the School's evolving strategic plan for professional and career development, education, scholarship and outreach in alignment with TRU's mission, vision, and strategic priorities. As an accomplished teacher, researcher and practitioner, the Dean will possess an open, transparent and collegial style of leadership with the ability to collaborate with colleagues to plan the School's future.

The successful candidate will have excellent interpersonal and communications skills, be able to demonstrate knowledge of trends and current issues in nursing education across diverse settings (urban, rural and remote), and have a record of advocacy, service innovation, scholarly engagement and service to the profession. S/he will have an outstanding academic record, a strong and a deep appreciation for research, teaching and service, and demonstrated experience as an inspirational leader, communicator and mentor. An earned doctorate (preferably in Nursing) as well as eligibility for registration with the BC College of Nursing Professionals is required.

Thompson Rivers University is strongly committed to fostering diversity within our community. We welcome those who would contribute to the further diversification of our staff, our faculty and its scholarship including, but not limited to, women, visible minorities, Indigenous people, persons with disabilities and persons of any sexual orientation or gender identity. Please note that all qualified candidates are encouraged to apply; however, applications from Canadians and permanent residents will be given priority.

This is an exciting and challenging opportunity to serve in a leadership role at one of Canada's most innovative universities. To apply or learn more, please contact Cameron Geldart at 604.926.0005 or forward your application package (current CV, a letter of introduction and a list of three references) in confidence to cameron@thegeldartgroup.com.

