Carleton University invites applications, nominations and expressions of interest for the position of Dean, Faculty of Public Affairs, with the appointment to be effective July 1, 2020. This is an exciting opportunity to lead an interdisciplinary Faculty that is unique in focus and scope, and dedicated to fostering informed citizenship, building better democracy and better societies, and educating graduates who will impact their regions, countries and world.

Located in Ottawa, Carleton University is a dynamic research and teaching institution with a tradition of leading change. Its internationally recognized faculty, staff and researchers provide 30,000 full- and part-time students from every province and more than 150 countries around the world with academic opportunities in more than 65 programs of study. As an innovative institution, Carleton is uniquely committed to developing solutions to real-world problems by pushing the boundaries of knowledge and understanding. With strong leadership over the years, it enjoys a healthy financial position. Further information may be found at www.carleton.ca.

The Faculty of Public Affairs (FPA) is the only Faculty of its kind in Canada, recognized for its innovative, dynamic and globally-renowned programs and award-winning research that contributes new knowledge and seeks to build better societies at home and abroad. Created in 1997, it brings together diverse academic units that prepare graduates to address regional and global challenges and opportunities. With over 200 faculty, 60 staff and 8,240 students, its 12 academic departments, schools and institutes offer a variety of degrees and programs at the undergraduate, graduate and doctoral levels, many offering unique combinations of academic and professional pedagogies. Further information is available at www.carleton.ca/fpa.

Reporting to the Provost and Vice-President (Academic) as a member of Carleton's senior administration, the Dean provides visionary strategic direction and innovative leadership to advance FPA's research reputation, academic planning, external relations expertise and administrative oversight. The new Dean will lead the Faculty to further excellence in research and teaching, continue to raise its impact and reputation both internally and externally, and provide leadership in advancing academic innovation, interdisciplinary initiatives, fundraising and alumni relations. The new Dean will utilize FPA's location in Canada's capital to build strategic partnerships with a wide range of public, private and non-profit organizations. Carleton University values its engagement with the community and the new Dean will lead the Faculty in contributing to this vision.

The successful candidate will be an accomplished leader who has demonstrated success in research and teaching, with the credentials and scholarly achievement to be appointed as a tenured full professor. With proven academic leadership experience and a record of building strong teams, the new Dean will possess an open and collegial style, a creative approach to problem solving, the ability to identify and generate new sources of funding, the ability to encourage and support the Faculty’s strong research culture, and outstanding management, communication and interpersonal skills. The new Dean will be able to promote excellence, equity, diversity and inclusion amongst all faculty, staff and students, while relating successfully to a variety of external partners.

Carleton University is committed to fostering diversity within its community as a source of excellence, cultural enrichment and social strength. We welcome those who would contribute to the further diversification of our University including, but not limited to, women; visible minorities; First Nations, Inuit and Métis peoples; persons with disabilities; and persons of any sexual orientation, gender identity and/or expression. All qualified candidates are encouraged to apply. Applications from Canadians and permanent residents will be given priority.

The search committee will begin consideration of candidates immediately. Applications should include a letter of interest, curriculum vitae and the names of three references (who will not be contacted without the consent of the candidate) and be submitted electronically, in confidence, to:

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