Memo

To: Senior Leadership Forum  
From: Airini, Provost and Vice-President Academic  
Date: August 23, 2021  
Subject: Announcement – secondment - Interim Vice-Provost, Indigenous Engagement

Hello Colleagues. Bonjour. tânsî. hau koda. édlanất’e? hau kola. taanishi. hau kona. anin

I am delighted to announce the secondment of Dr. Angela Jamie as interim vice-provost, Indigenous engagement effective September 1, 2021.

The interim vice-provost indigenous engagement provides leadership through a multi-month secondment, until the formal search is completed. Later this week Indigenous faculty and staff will have the opportunity to meet with me to discuss the process through which an interim vice-provost is seconded, and role, and the forthcoming search process in winter 2022. This will be informed by discussions and a review in fall 2021. At this time, it is very exciting that Angela’s skills and experience will be available to lead a team including colleagues from Metis Nation and Treaty Six Nations.

Angela (Pit River and Valley Maidu) arrived in Saskatoon in July 2020 to assume the role as vice-dean Indigenous and professor in Indigenous Studies for the College of Arts and Science here at University of Saskatchewan. Prior to arriving to the prairies, Angela was at the University of Wyoming where she was the Director of Native American & Indigenous Studies and Associate Director of the School of Culture, Gender, and Social Justice. Angela received her BA Ethnic Studies / Native American Studies from California State University; her BA Ethnic Studies / American Indian Studies from San Francisco State University; and her PhD Curriculum and Instruction / Curriculum Studies from Purdue University. Dr. Jaime has been teaching and consulting in the areas of Diversity, Equity, Inclusion, Anti-Racism, and Social Justice education for the past 25 years. Her areas of research are in Indigenous women and their experiences in higher education, Indigenous education, and anti-racist education. Most importantly, as Angela says, she is a mother of two amazing boys.

As interim vice-provost, Indigenous engagement, Angela will continue the vice-provost’s responsibility to provide inspirational, transformational, and visionary leadership for the Indigenous academic portfolio, leading through influence. In partnership with the Provost, and in concert with other members of the university’s senior leadership team, Angela will involve faculty and staff to support the university’s strategic directions and to ensure success in achieving the aspirations of the university 2025 plan, and the recently gifted Indigenous strategy: ohpahotân | oohpaahotaan ("Let’s Fly Up Together").

Thank you to Candice Pete-Cardoso, acting vice-provost, Indigenous engagement, for your leadership and initiative over these weeks.

Please join me in welcoming Angela to the interim vice-provost, Indigenous engagement role.

Sincerely,

Airini, Provost and Vice-President Academic
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