The Office of the Vice President Research, University of Saskatchewan is seeking an Associate Vice-President Research (AVPR). Candidates who currently hold a tenured position at the rank of associate professor/professor at the University of Saskatchewan are invited to apply.

The Associate Vice-President Research (AVPR) is a senior academic administrator of the University who provides visionary, strategic, and institution-wide leadership that empowers USask’s academic community with the vision, ambition, supports and tools to excel in world-class research, scholarly, and artistic works.

The AVPR leads strategic initiatives aimed at fostering interdisciplinarity and collaboration, supports the development of and oversees core research facilities and platforms and research capital projects and infrastructure supportive of USask research projects and initiatives required to advance the aspirations envisioned under the University Plan 2025. The AVPR further provides leadership to Animal Care, Human Ethics and research initiatives directed to promote and ensure USask research meet high-quality standards, is ethically sound and compliant with regulations. The AVPR will be informed in fulfilling the responsibilities of the role by the University’s Mission, Vision, Principles and Values.

The AVPR draws on individual experience as a successful researcher to lead a broad portfolio that is integral to the success of the USask’s enterprise and works alongside and on behalf of the VPR to lead and advance the strategic initiatives of the OVPR in areas of strength supporting core research facilities and infrastructure, animal care and human ethics. This responsibility includes advising and representing the VPR by performing executive and administrative duties of considerable scope and complexity, acting as key leader on many strategic committees and providing crucial expertise and oversight to the conceptualization, development and completion of research projects, support and initiatives. The position is collaborative in nature and works closely with other AVPR’s, Deans, Associate Deans and Vice-Deans, Executive Directors, Tri-Agency Leaders, Centre Directors and other key senior administrative and academic leaders and stakeholders within and outside the University leading efforts to advance institutional and interdisciplinary research activity. The AVPR provides focused and strategic leadership in invigorating the university’s broad natural sciences and engineering research portfolio (NSERC), oversees the university’s animal care, animal ethics, and human ethics functions, ensuring exceptional service and full compliance with regulations and represents the OVPR through the Research, Scholarly and Artistic Works Committee of University Council.

As the ideal candidate you will possess an exemplary academic record as an educator and researcher. You will have demonstrated administrative and leadership experience with superior
relationship building skills. Demonstrated success in developing and implementing a vision and leading people to achieve exemplary performance and outcomes is essential. A high level of proficiency in all the personal effectiveness and relationship building competencies is vital.

The University of Saskatchewan is strongly committed to a diverse and inclusive workplace that empowers all employees to reach their full potential. All members of the university community share a responsibility for developing and maintaining an environment in which differences are valued and inclusiveness is practiced. The university welcomes applications from those who will contribute to the diversity of our community.

Nominations and applications are to be received by Wednesday July 28, 2021. Interested candidates shall provide an application package (letter of interest, curriculum vitae), in confidence, to Baljit Singh, Vice President Research, and Chair, Associate Vice President Research Search Committee (Ethics and Research Infrastructure Portfolio), in c/o Julie Beres, Executive Assistant, Office of the Vice President Research at julie.beres@usask.ca.