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Vice-President, Finance and Operations – Algoma University

Algoma University, established in Sault Ste. Marie in 1965, is a growing and innovative institution with a dual Special Mission to serve as a teaching-oriented university while cultivating cross-cultural learning between Indigenous and non-Indigenous communities. The University currently provides students with rich learning and research opportunities in a range of liberal arts, sciences and professional disciplines; including degrees and certificates provided through the Schools of Business and Economics, Computer Science and Technology, Life Sciences and the Environment, and Social Work. The University offers endless opportunities for students to learn inside and outside of the classroom. Experiential learning and student research opportunities are critical elements of Algoma's approach, helping students apply what they learn in "real world" settings.

Algoma University is committed to being a welcoming, inclusive, safe, and respectful learning community; one that values the opportunities to learn from and with students, staff and visitors from all parts of the world. Currently, Algoma University is home to over 3,000 students representing over 50 different countries, more than 430 full-time and part-time faculty and over 150 support staff and administrative personnel (consisting of a mix of unionized support staff, managers, directors and senior executive).

With campuses located in Sault Ste. Marie, Brampton and Timmins, the tri-campus model that has emerged at Algoma University leverages the unique strengths, opportunities and broader community needs of each geographic location.

Based in Sault Ste. Marie and reporting to the President and Vice-Chancellor, the Vice-President, Finance and Operations (VPFO) is the University's chief administrative officer, responsible for the planning, development and allocation of resources across all campuses. The role supports the development, execution and implementation of Algoma's strategic plan and provides financial leadership to ensure the long-term sustainability of the University. The VPFO's portfolio includes oversight for financial services, human resources, innovation and technology, physical plant, student life and ancillary operations and enterprise risk management.

As the ideal candidate, you bring advanced education and/or professional credentials, along with leadership experience within a diverse portfolio of functions and in organizations with complex governance structures. You have demonstrated that you are strategic, innovative, collegial, and entrepreneurial and possess the strategic acumen and global thinking to enable you to set your sights on the horizon, to understand the goals of the University and to translate them into plans that support the University's mission, allow students, faculty and staff to realize their goals, and ensure Algoma University's sustainability in the broadest sense. You are a decisive leader who has an ability to delegate and empower direct reports to make decisions. You are passionate about how you and your team can collaborate with and support others in the pursuit of the academic, teaching and research mission of the University.

The ideal candidate will possess post-secondary education in Business Administration or Finance and 15 years of related experience in finance and operational leadership in a complex public sector organization, preferably in the postsecondary sector, a Professional Accounting Designation (CPA) or an equivalent combination of education, training, skills and experience.

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Algoma University is strongly committed to fostering diversity and inclusivity within our community and is an equal opportunity employer. The University invites and encourages applications from all qualified individuals, including from groups that are underrepresented in employment, who may contribute to further diversification of our institution. In accordance with the Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act, 2005, upon request, accommodation will be provided by Algoma University throughout the recruitment, selection and/or assessment process to applicants with disabilities. The successful candidate, as a condition of employment, will be required to provide a Police Vulnerable Sector Check.

If you're interested in this opportunity, contact Katherine Frank, Partner at kfrank@kbrs.ca or Erin MacDonald, Manager, Executive Search Operations at emacdonald@kbrs.ca, or submit your application online at: www.kbrs.ca/Career/15037