The University of Guelph invites applications for the position of Associate Vice-President (Physical Resources). Located in Guelph, Ontario, on the traditional territory of the Attawandaron people, the University is home to 30,000 undergraduate and graduate students spread across three campuses (Guelph, Ridgetown, and the University of Guelph-Humber). With Toronto a short distance to the east, Kitchener-Waterloo to the west, and London to the south, Guelph is an important nexus in the southern Ontario area. The City is a unique blend of urban and rural and is repeatedly recognized as one of the best places to live in the country.

The University is one of Canada's leading research-intensive institutions. It receives over $150 million annually in research funding across seven colleges, the regional campus at Ridgetown, fifteen research stations, and the University of Guelph/Ontario Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs partnership. The University is a leader in knowledge translation—it has been transferring technologies from the lab to the marketplace for over a century—and plays a key role in agricultural, veterinary, engineering, social sciences, humanities, and life sciences research and training. It’s an institution committed to societal impact and developing engaged citizens. This has been Guelph’s focus for over 150 years: life, living, always improving. For more information, visit https://www.uoguelph.ca/.

This is an exciting time for the University, and the Associate Vice-President (Physical Resources) will have opportunities to capitalize on the considerable momentum the University is enjoying. Reporting to the Vice-President (Finance, Administration and Risk) and working with all university and community stakeholders on campus development and facilities planning initiatives, the incumbent oversees 800 acres of core campus area, including 142 building and 6.8 million square feet of building area totalling $1.9 billion in capital assets. The incumbent will take a forward-thinking approach to managing the University’s land and buildings, capital planning and construction projects, deferred maintenance, preventative and corrective maintenance programs, custodial services, building systems and central utility plant operations, energy conservation, environmental protection, and sustainability initiatives.

The ideal candidate possesses a university degree in Engineering as well as a P.Eng designation, or the equivalent combination of education (e.g., architectural or business degree), designation, and experience. The successful candidate will have a track record of experience in a related senior management role; strong project management and problem-solving skills, and a demonstrated ability to effectively manage multiple priorities; excellent organizational, planning, interpersonal, negotiation and people management skills; a style of leadership that evinces respect, integrity, collaboration, and collegiality; strong financial acumen, and presentation skills; and, a track record of leading performance delivery teams who aspire to excellence and superior customer service.

Consideration of candidates will begin February 2019. Applications and expressions of interest may be submitted in confidence to Jason Murray or Angie Laframboise at uoguelphavppr@odgersberndtson.com.

The University of Guelph is committed to equity in its policies, practices, and programs, supports diversity in its teaching, learning and work environments, and ensures that applications for members of underrepresented groups are seriously considered under its employment equity policy. All qualified individuals who would contribute to the further diversification of our University community are encouraged to apply. In accordance with the AODA Act, accommodation will be provided by both Odgers Berndtson and the University of Guelph throughout the recruitment process.

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