

Job Description

Job Title: Director, Educational Development, Taylor Institute for Teaching and Learning
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Background

Inspired by **Eyes High**, the University of Calgary's new strategic vision, the University has created a plan for an innovative *Taylor Institute for Teaching and Learning*. The Educational Development Unit of the *Institute* will contribute to learning experiences that engage and challenge all students by integrating and fostering synergies among: professional development for all educators; course and curriculum development; ongoing research into the impact of educational development initiatives; the design of exemplary learning environments; and the effective integration of technologies.

The concept for the *Institute* was created through a collaborative process that acknowledged the University of Calgary as a research-intensive institution committed to supporting and encouraging all forms of scholarship in a rich teaching and learning environment. This collaborative process produced the *Integrated Framework for Teaching and Learning* framework that sets forth an ambitious goal that by 2016 the University of Calgary will have implemented a well-developed and resourced *Taylor Institute for Teaching and Learning* that will form the hub for engaging faculty, students and others who contribute to the education mission of the university in integrating teaching and research to support the development of innovative teaching and learning experiences across our academic and larger communities. The implementation of this strategy will elevate professional development supports for our academic staff, effectively implement innovative teaching methods, and better integrate research and education.

Position

The University of Calgary invites applications for a **full-time tenure track** academic position at the **Director, Educational Development Unit rank**, commencing as soon as possible. The successful candidate will be appointed **Director of the Educational Development Unit** of the *Taylor Institute for Teaching and Learning*. This position presents an exciting opportunity to take a leadership role in shaping a core element in a uniquely integrated approach to building teaching and learning capacity in an innovative and forward looking institution.

The EDU Director will play a key leadership role in guiding the transition of the former Teaching and Learning Centre to an integral component of a more comprehensive *Institute*. The Director will manage and promote a collaborative spirit among all staff within the EDU and between the EDU and the University community. Responsible for leading the EDU team, the Director will apply his/her expertise to build a university-wide community that inspires and supports the development of individual teachers, courses and programs, learning environments, and the institution as a whole to achieve the vision of the *Institute*. The EDU Director will guide all EDU staff members in implementing educational development strategies that promote research-informed responses to teaching and learning challenges and

