

The Organization: Kwantlen Polytechnic University (KPU)

Established by the government of British Columbia in 1981, Kwantlen (now Kwantlen Polytechnic University or KPU) consists of four vibrant campuses located across the Metro Vancouver region in Surrey, Richmond, Langley, and Cloverdale, and offers a diverse range of credentials in more than 120 programs. Today, close to 20,000 students attend KPU each year for a wide range of career, vocational trades, and technology programs.

In addition to an unwavering dedication to learning and excellence in keeping with the values of the Kwantlen First Nation, KPU is committed to serving the broad range of needs of the South Fraser region, and provides a strong curriculum and services aimed at fostering student engagement, development, and success.

The Opportunity: Director, Planning & Construction

Reporting to the Executive Director of Facilities, the Director, Planning & Construction is responsible for the provision of all campus planning, construction, and renovations for the University. Managing and coordinating building operations, capital projects, maintenance, and future development and planning for institutional growth, the Director will provide leadership and direction to the Facilities team on capital projects in support of University priorities for the planning, design, construction, and effective operation of all campus facilities and grounds.

Overseeing four direct reports, the Director will provide leadership and guidance in the development of planning processes to manage projects from viability to occupancy, coordination of external vendors, and oversight of budget development, estimates, cash flow, and quarterly reports to the Ministry.

The ideal candidate will possess the following qualifications and experience:

- A Master's of Project or Construction Management, Architecture, Engineering, Business Administration, or a graduate degree from a recognized post-secondary institution in a relevant discipline or field, with an equivalent combination of experience and training;
- A minimum of seven years of directly related experience, preferably in a post-secondary environment;
- Extensive knowledge of the principles of facilities planning, design, and construction, including the ability to read and interpret drawings, specifications, contracts, tenders, and other complex documents;
- Thorough knowledge of facilities planning, architectural design and programming, capital project budgeting, construction document production, construction project administration, governing building codes, and construction methods;
- Experience with legal, risk, and procurement requirements in alternate project delivery methods;



- Experience with sustainable building strategies and the ability to prepare and analyze life cycle costs for building design decisions;
- Strategic thinker, with the ability to grasp and communicate complex ideas as well as develop creative alternatives;
- Demonstrated ability to apply construction project management methodologies, and prepare contract documents, specifications, and various cost estimates;
- Proficiency with computer software such as Excel, Access, PowerPoint, Microsoft Project, Word, and AutoCAD; and
- Travel is required in this position. The successful candidate must hold a valid BC driver's license.

The complete opportunity profile can be viewed at: <http://ow.ly/tmkU30awAaE>

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