Attributes of a Chancellor – 2016 to 2020

The Ideal Candidate for Chancellor of the University of Alberta will be…

- A principled and highly respected leader who acts with integrity.
- An advocate willing and able to contribute to building an equitable and diverse University of Alberta community for students, staff, and faculty in the interest of the public good.
- A sage advisor who will represent the public interest in the university, serve as a respected member of the University of Alberta Board of Governors, and champion post-secondary education.
- An inspiring and engaging individual who will work to promote the University of Alberta as a leading Canadian teaching and research institution that is admired, respected, and trusted locally, nationally, and internationally.
- A visionary leader who promotes the University as essential to the social, economic, and cultural vitality of the province, while recognizing the value of national and international initiatives.
- A gifted speaker, passionate ambassador, and connector who invites people into the university, seeking to create an open, inclusive, and welcoming community.
- A catalyst for support of the university’s commitment to leading widespread social, cultural, and economic change for the public good.
- A connector, collaborator, and consensus-builder willing and able to challenge conventional thinking.
- An approachable individual with sound judgment, strong interpersonal skills, and the courage of his or her convictions.
- An individual with considerable time, flexibility, and energy to carry out the responsibilities of the Chancellorship.

The Ideal Candidate for Chancellor of the University of Alberta will have…

- A deep and abiding interest in public education.
- A passion for and commitment to the University of Alberta as a public institution.
- An understanding of equity and diversity as central to a strong University of Alberta.
- A profound respect for the importance of the university’s efforts in building bridges with Aboriginal communities, including an understanding that the University of Alberta has made its home on traditional lands.
- A demonstrated ability and willingness to create community connections and build relationships supportive of the university.
- A genuine interest in and connection to University of Alberta students and alumni.
- A commitment to champion and advance the university’s vision, strategy, and achievements.
- A commitment to the university’s role as a leader in economic and environmental sustainability and social justice.
- A clear understanding of the role of the Chancellor within the leadership of the university community.
- An ability to partner with the President, Board of Governors, senior administration, student leaders, and other key stakeholders in pursuit of the goals of the university.
- A presence and integrity that reflects the importance of the role of Chancellor in presiding over all university convocation celebrations, including a willingness to honour university traditions and ceremonies.
- A clear understanding of and depth of experience with the leadership and governance of large, complex organizations.
- An authentic engagement with people.
- A history of active involvement and respected leadership within the community at large.
- An ability and willingness to chair the 62-member Senate, ensuring strategic oversight of Senate’s resources to fulfill its mandate to inquire into any matter that might benefit the University and enhance its position in the community.\(^2\)

\(^{2}\) Section 9(1), Post-Secondary Learning Act of Alberta, 2003

\(^{3}\) Section 13(1), Post-Secondary Learning Act of Alberta, 2003

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