



Executive Director, Indigenous Business Initiatives and Engagement

SAUDER SCHOOL OF BUSINESS UNIVERSITY OF BRITISH COLUMBIA VANCOUVER, BC

The Executive Director, Indigenous Business Initiatives and Engagement is responsible for setting the vision and strategic direction, and will provide comprehensive strategic and operational leadership of a new Indigenous Business Centre at UBC Sauder. The Executive Director plays a pivotal role in establishing meaningful, mutually beneficial relationships with Indigenous peoples, communities and organizations to ensure reciprocity, cultural safety and collaborative partnerships in the advancement and implementation of the UBC Indigenous Strategic Plan (ISP), the Progressive Aboriginal Relations (PAR) Program and Indigenous priorities identified in the UBC Sauder Strategic Plan and as prioritized by the UBC Sauder Dean's office. The Executive Director provides leadership, expertise and advice on approaches to Indigenizing curriculum, Indigenous knowledge and ways of knowing, Indigenous inclusion and on interpersonal and systemic issues affecting Indigenous students, employees and faculty, and relevant research. The Executive Director will ensure that issues affecting Indigenous presence and experiences within the school are identified and will engage in consultation and decision-making across the school to ensure Indigenous perspectives are embedded in education standards across all school programs. The Executive Director will support Indigenous inclusion in UBC Sauder through meaningful, authentic consultation, effective advocacy and collaborative decision making.

The Director reports to the Senior Associate Dean responsible for Indigenous Education and is a member of UBC Sauder's senior staff leadership team. You bring experience leading a team of professionals in an Indigenous organization and ideally have experience in a research-oriented post-secondary entity. This experience has given you knowledge of current and emerging issues in Indigenous education, as well as knowledge of reconciliation and decolonization approaches in the post-secondary environment.

You bring lived experience of Indigenous worldviews, cultures and values and you draw upon the values and principles from your own community and history. You can foster and maintain collaborative relationships with Indigenous community leaders, officials, agency representatives, and colleagues from other institutions, and you are able to motivate and influence a team to co-create with partners and strive for new and innovative approaches.

Pursuant to the BC Human Rights Code Article 42, preference will be given to Indigenous applicants.

If this is the next step in your professional career, please visit our website and submit your application to **Allison Rzen** and **Suchin Pawa** at www.pfmsearch.com.

UBC Sauder's Vancouver campus is situated within the traditional, ancestral and unceded territory of the Musqueam, and UBC Sauder at Robson Square is situated on the traditional territory of the Musqueam, Squamish and Tsleil-Waututh.

A global leader in the creation of business knowledge, the Sauder School of Business at the University of British Columbia is consistently ranked among the top 100 business schools in the world and is recognized internationally for innovation in teaching and research. UBC Sauder believes that Indigenous identities, culture, language, values, ways of knowing and knowledge systems should be respected and integrated into business education.

The Indigenous Business Centre at UBC Sauder will provide a central hub for education, research and community-building as well as a launchpad for future expansion of our Indigenous programs across the school, including initiatives to address the needs and sustainable economic development in Indigenous communities. The Centre will house current Ch'nook Scholars, the Aboriginal Management Certificate Program, Accelerated Business Program and various events designed to increase Indigenous participation in business education studies in British Columbia and across Canada.



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