RESPONSIBILITIES OF CHANCELLOR
University of British Columbia

1. The Chancellor is titular head of the University and represents the public interest in the University.

2. The Chancellor is a voting member of the Board of Governors, (management, administration and control of the property and business affairs of the university) and the Senates (academic governance) for as long as he/she holds office.

3. The Chancellor is an ex-officio member of all Board of Governors committees but a member of the Executive, Employee Relations, Management Resources and Compensation Committees and Chair of the Nomination Committee for the selection of Board Chair. Together with the Board Chair and the University President, the Chancellor helps guide the Board.

4. The Chancellor serves as a special advisor to UBC’s President and Vice Chancellor.

5. As the ceremonial head of the University, the Chancellor represents the University at important events and confers all degrees at congregation ceremonies.

6. The Chancellor plays a role in strengthening the University’s relationship with key stakeholders, alumni and the community the University serves.

7. The Chancellor also serves as the University’s senior volunteer and is an advocate for the vision of the University as it is articulated by the President and endorsed by the Board of Governors. To that end, she/he plays an essential ambassadorial role in advancing the University’s interests within local, provincial, national and international arenas.

8. The Chancellor is a voting ex-officio member of the UBC Alumni Association Board of Directors.
CANDIDATE PROFILE – CHANCELLOR
University of British Columbia

1. An Outstanding Record of Leadership
   - A widely respected and recognized leader with a record of leadership and/or accomplishment in the arts, business, not-for-profits, the professions, or public service.
   - A demonstrated commitment to community service.
   - Able to gain a level of respect that will bring significant credibility to the role of representing UBC, a highly-ranked university nationally and internationally.

2. Commitment to UBC’s Educational Mission and Values
   - A demonstrated commitment to, and passion for, UBC.
   - Supports UBC’s Strategic Plan “Shaping UBC’s Next Century”. Embraces the University’s vision and purpose, including commitments to foster global citizenship, and advance a sustainable and just society, and its values around excellence, integrity, respect, academic freedom, and accountability.
   - Respects the context, traditions, and culture in a University where excellence in teaching and research are celebrated, including its shared governance model and the dispersed nature of decision making.

3. Cultural Humility and Commitment to Equity
   - Brings cultural humility and a commitment to equity, diversity and inclusion and a demonstrated record of supporting and advancing these principles and objectives within an organization.
   - Through demonstrated commitment, will be an advocate for Indigenous rights holders, both internal and external to UBC, and actively pursue goals of decolonization, Indigenization and reconciliation.

4. Superb Relationship-Building and Communication Skills
   - Able to build effective relationships with students, faculty, staff, alumni and residents of UBC along with a wide range of external partners.
   - Strong interpersonal skills and excellent communication skills. Able to reconcile rival views to support consensus on important issues.
   - An excellent communicator who can articulate the vision and strategy of the University to individuals and groups in a manner that resonates with and supports its intellectual mission.
   - Demonstrates a positive attitude and disposition. Enjoys interacting with others through social events and celebrations.
   - Is comfortable engaging with the public through traditional media and social media, where appropriate.

5. Excellent Judgment
   - Influential as a result of the effective manner by which they understand, analyze and express views on issues of importance.
   - Thoughtful in their approach to problem solving.
   - Not driven by a personal agenda; focused on the best interests of the University.
   - Comfortable with ambiguity and change.
   - Brings a high degree of personal integrity to the role.

6. Governance Expertise
   - Brings valuable experience in organizational governance and will be a knowledgeable and thoughtful contributor to UBC’s Board of Governors, Senate, and Alumni Association.
   - Will be able to develop a particularly close and productive working relationship with the President and Board Chair, serving as a trusted advisor and confidante.
   - Understands the importance of governing in the public interest and the government and stakeholder context in which the University functions.

7. Capacity & Other Factors
   - Interest, time commitment, and energy to fulfill responsibilities of Chancellor, including ceremonial duties. Willingness to travel and represent the University in an official capacity.
   - Ideally a resident of BC, but not necessary if able to meet commitments on campuses.
   - Willingness to serve a second, three-year term if reappointed.
   - Need not be an alumnus.
Please forward potential nominees by Friday, January 31 to Boyden Executive Search at ubcchancellor@boyden.com.