



## **MEMBERS, BOARD OF GOVERNORS**

With a heritage of some 160 years, Bath Spa is a leading liberal arts university in creativity, culture and enterprise. It is student-centred, offering innovative teaching and learning, focused research excellence and state-of-the-art facilities. It has seen significant growth over recent years and is investing in estates and infrastructure, further enhancing the student experience, growing its international footprint and developing its research base. It has over 7000 students, an annual turnover of nearly £83m and is currently engaged on a major new campus development. Whilst we anticipate some challenges in the future of the higher education market, we are looking forward to shaping our strategy for 2030 in a way that reflects our unique talents and position.

The University is governed by a Board of Governors which has overall responsibility for the strategy, direction and performance of the institution. The board comprises a range of high calibre individuals bringing a combination of lay and academic backgrounds.

The University is seeking to identify up to four new board members from diverse backgrounds with an interest and insight into the issues facing higher education. Governors will bring thoughtful and mature contribution to board meetings, be principled yet innovative. A willingness to be challenging but constructive and a strong strategic focus are essential for these roles.

Two of the new governors will bring skills in:

- (a) Leadership in HE or knowledge of education policy and government engagement;
- (b) Finance and investment;

We are also seeking a broad range of relevant skills including:

- Business and management;
- Knowledge and experience of governance;
- Legal and HR experience
- Experience or knowledge in the university's key areas of endeavour, including Education, Art and Design, and Creative Arts
- Knowledge of the local area and the south-west.

One of the appointments may be asked to chair the Audit & Risk Committee or the Finance & Infrastructure Committee, depending on skills and experience.

The role of Governor is likely to require a time commitment of around ten days a year. All roles are

unremunerated, although reasonable expenses will be covered.

For further information or to apply please visit [www.minervasearch.com/bathspa](http://www.minervasearch.com/bathspa). The closing date for applications, which should be in the form of a brief CV and cover letter of no more than two pages and emailed to [bathspa@minervasearch.com](mailto:bathspa@minervasearch.com), is 4 June 2018.

***The University values a diverse workforce and wants to increase ethnic diversity therefore we would particularly welcome applicants from BAME backgrounds.***