

Alison Parker

I joined Gustavson in 2022 and I am an Assistant Teaching Professor of Accounting. I have over two decades worth of practical experience in non-profit societies, private industry and for government non-public and public funds. As part of management teams at three non-profit organizations, I served on hiring committees for positions from entry-level employees to executive directors. I developed comprehensive human resources and benefits policies for a non-profit organization and an educational consulting firm. I also interviewed many Board of Director members for non-profit organizations and developed job descriptions for treasurer duties.

I also have 18 years of experience working in post-secondary education. At my past institution, I served in various roles including program leader and co-op internship coordinator. I also was a field supervisor for students on Co-op terms, and I am currently a mentor for future accountants through CPA. Moreover, I was on several hiring committees for accounting faculty members and the Dean of a School of Business.

In the years I've been at Gustavson, I have had the pleasure of collaborating with my colleagues in teaching and learning. I have coordinated coursework with others, served on the BCom Program Review Committee, Culture Committee, Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion Committee, and will be joining the Faculty Academic Committee and Research Committee this fall.

The responsibility of selecting the next Dean to lead Gustavson is one I take very seriously. I believe deeply in the colleagues I work alongside and in their shared hopes for a cohesive and collegial school. I bring strong listening skills, a genuine interest in understanding diverse perspectives, and a commitment to balanced, inclusive decision-making. As a relatively newer faculty member, I think I can bring a fresh perspective to the committee about Gustavson and the leadership we need to inspire us into the future.