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Tier 2 Canada Research Chair (CRC) in Critical Disability Studies

Dean Of Arts

Competition No. - A107339063
Closing Date - Jun 28, 2019

The Faculty of Arts at the University of Alberta invites applications for a Tier 2 Canada Research Chair (CRC) in Critical Disability Studies. Tier 2 Chairs are for exceptional emerging researchers, acknowledged by their peers as having the potential to lead in their field. The successful candidate will take up a tenure-stream appointment and lead an excellent and innovative program of research that applies an intersectional lens to the study of disability in society. The Chair’s research may speak to multiple disciplines; advance critical understanding of disability as a category of analysis; develop historical, cultural, political, economic, ethical, legal, or social perspectives on disability; or explore disability in literature and art. The disciplinary home of the Chair is open to any humanities, fine arts, or social science discipline that is relevant to at least one Department in UAlberta’s Faculty of Arts.

The successful candidate will:

- Be an outstanding scholar whose exceptional track record of research and/or creative outputs is serving to establish them as a leader in their field.
- Candidates should have a PhD or relevant terminal degree in an appropriate discipline.
- Have demonstrated the potential to achieve international recognition in their fields in the next five to ten years.
- Be a builder with a commitment to leading research collaborations and an emerging reputation for attracting and mentoring graduate students.
- Be committed to impactful research with real potential to benefit relevant scholarly communities and society.
- Have an established track record of obtaining external research grants.
- Be prepared to develop an application that articulates an original and ground-breaking program of future research.

Responsibilities will include undergraduate and graduate teaching, graduate supervision and normal administrative service, as well as maintaining an original and innovative research program. The Faculty member’s teaching load will, during the tenure of their CRC, be two one-term courses per year instead of the four one-term courses per year for regular faculty. Salary will be commensurate with qualifications and experience. Once the Canada Research Chair commences, the Chairholder will receive a research allowance and supports from the Faculty and have access to a supplement that may be taken as a taxable salary or tax-free research grant, or a combination thereof.

Tier 2 CRCs, which are tenable for five years and renewable once, are intended for exceptional emerging researchers (i.e., candidates must have been an active researcher in their field for fewer than 10 years at the time of nomination). Applicants who are more than 10 years from having earned their highest degree (and where career breaks exist, such as maternity, parental or extended sick leave, clinical training, etc.) may have their eligibility for a Tier 2 Chair assessed through the program’s Tier 2 justification process. Please consult the University of Alberta CRC Coordinator (glen.thomas@ualberta.ca) for more information. Full program information, including details on eligibility criteria, can be found on the Canada Research Chairs website:

The University recognizes that legitimate impact that leaves (e.g., parental leave, leave due to illness) can have on a candidate’s record of research and achievement and commits that these leaves will be taken into careful consideration during the assessment process.

In accordance with the CRC Program’s Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion Practices (see below) and the University of Alberta’s related Action Plan (also see below), applications are particularly encouraged from women, persons with disabilities, Indigenous Peoples, and visible minorities. **In this competition, preference will be given to applications from persons with disabilities.**


UAlberta EDI Action Plan: [https://www.ualberta.ca/research/services/funding-opportunities/canada-research-chairs/public-accountability](https://www.ualberta.ca/research/services/funding-opportunities/canada-research-chairs/public-accountability)

The successful applicant will maintain their appointment as a regular continuing faculty member and will be nominated by the University for a Canada Research Chair. All CRC nominations are subject to approval by UAlberta’s President’s Advisory Committee for Senior Academic Appointments, and University nominations are subject to the approval of the Canada Research Chair Program. Please consult the Canada Research Chairs website for full program information, including further details on eligibility criteria.

The Faculty will work with the successful candidate to complete their CRC application. Once completed and approved by internal processes, the final application will be submitted to the CRC Program for final approval, after which the new Chairholder will take up their CRC.

For questions related to this position, the Canada Research Chair (CRC) selection process, or issues regarding institutional accommodation policies, please contact Dr. Steve Patten, Associate Dean (Research), at resarts@ualberta.ca.

To assist the University in complying with mandatory reporting requirements of the Immigration and Refugee Protection Act (R203(3) (e)), please include the first digit of your Canadian Social Insurance Number in your application. If you do not have a Canadian Social Insurance Number, please indicate this in your application.

**How to Apply:**

A) All applicants to this job posting are required to self-identify using the following questionnaire.

B) To apply, applicants must submit the following through UAlberta’s online application system ("Apply Online" button below):

- A letter describing their interest in the position and their qualifications
- An outline of their research plans as the holder of a Tier 2 CRC (not more 2,000 words)
- A full Curriculum Vitae

C) Applicants are further expected to arrange to have three letters of reference sent to the attention of Dr. Lesley Cormack, Dean, Faculty of Arts. These letters should be submitted via e-mail to artsdean@ualberta.ca. Please ask that referees enter "Reference Letter – Tier 2 CRC in Critical Disability Studies" in the subject line.

Applicants whom require an accessibility arrangement for their interview and/or subsequent recruitment meetings can contact Catherine Anley (Senior Consultant Equity, Diversity and Inclusion) at catherine.anley@ualberta.ca or 780.492.3020 to arrange appropriate accommodations.

Posted: May 23, 2019
Apply Online

Note: Online applications are accepted until midnight Mountain Standard Time of the closing date.

All qualified candidates are encouraged to apply; however, Canadians and permanent residents will be given priority. If suitable Canadian citizens or permanent residents cannot be found, other individuals will be considered.

The University of Alberta is committed to an equitable, diverse, and inclusive workforce. We welcome applications from all qualified persons. We encourage women; First Nations, Métis and Inuit persons; members of visible minority groups; persons with disabilities; persons of any sexual orientation or gender identity and expression; and all those who may contribute to the further diversification of ideas and the University to apply.