## UNIVERSITY OF BRITISH COLUMBIA FACULTY OF EDUCATION

## **TIER II Canada Research Chair**

Indigenous Health and Well-being

The Faculty of Education at the University of British Columbia invites applications for a **Tier II Canada Research Chair (CRC) in Indigenous Health and Well-being**. Applications are welcomed from exceptional emerging scholars who are strong, innovative, and culturally-grounded researchers with demonstrated expertise in studying Indigenous approaches to health and well-being from a disciplinary perspective that aligns with one or more of the four Departments and School within the Faculty of Education. These include the Department of Curriculum and Pedagogy; the Department of Educational and Counselling Psychology, and Special Education; the Department of Educational Studies; the Department of Language and Literacy Education; and/or the School of Kinesiology. As reflected in the diverse cognate areas within the faculty, it is anticipated that the successful candidate will embrace social, ecological, cultural, and community-oriented perspectives, and have expertise in applying Indigenous knowledge and methodologies to health and well-being. The successful appointee will hold a doctoral degree in one of the disciplines pertinent to the work of the Faculty of Education and will be encouraged to work across departments, school, and units in the Faculty and the University.

The University of British Columbia is located on the traditional, ancestral, and unceded territory of the Musqueam people in beautiful Vancouver, a multicultural, multilingual city ranked as one of the world's best places to live. The University is recognized internationally as a leading research institution and, recently, was ranked as second in Canada and 34<sup>th</sup> in the world (Academic Ranking of World Universities). The Faculty of Education was ranked first in Canada and ninth globally among faculties of education (QS World University Rankings). It is committed to research excellence and provides a comprehensive set of programmatic offerings at the baccalaureate, magisterial and doctoral levels. In addition to a post-baccalaureate Teacher Education program, we offer Faculty-wide graduate programs in early childhood education, educational technology and interdisciplinary studies. For further details about the Faculty and its research, please visit our website at www.educ.ubc.ca.

The Faculty of Education at the University of British Columbia is a leader in Indigenous Education, offers an Indigenous Teacher Education Program (NITEP), graduate Indigenous specializations, and is proposing new graduate programs and concentrations in Indigenous Education. The Faculty is home to the Indigenous Education Institute of Canada, publishes an annual theme issue of the Canadian Journal of Native Education, and has an Associate Dean for Indigenous Education in its senior leadership team.

The Canada Research Chairs Program (www.chairs-chaires.gc.ca) was established by the Canadian Federal Government with the purpose of attracting outstanding researchers to the Canadian university system. This CRC position is affiliated with the Canadian Institutes of Health Research (CIHR), which is Canada's health research investment agency supporting discoveries and innovations that improve health and strengthen the health care system. The Tier II Chair is for exceptional emerging researchers, acknowledged by their peers as having the potential to lead in their field. Tier II Chairs are tenable for five years and are renewable once for a further five years upon review by national and international peers. Applicants' proposed research programs should address one or more of the priority areas noted above and be congruent with the goals and strategies

contained in UBC's Strategic Plan, "Place and Promise" (<a href="www.strategicplan.ubc.ca">www.strategicplan.ubc.ca</a>), and the Faculty of Education's strategic priorities, particularly with respect to Aboriginal engagement and Indigenous research.

We seek a scholar with a strong record of research, teaching, and community engagement and who can contribute significantly to the advancement of Indigenous health and well-being. Excellent research experience with Indigenous communities is required. The successful applicant will be nominated by the University for a Tier II Canada Research Chair. As stated in the Terms of Reference (<a href="www.chairs.gc.ca">www.chairs.gc.ca</a>), the nomination is subject to review by the CRC Secretariat. Applicants who are more than 10 years from having earned their highest degree may have their eligibility for a Tier II Chair assessed through the program's Tier II justification process. Please consult the CRC website for more information on eligibility criteria. Upon approval by the CRC Secretariat, the successful applicant will be appointed at the rank of Assistant Professor (tenure track) or Associate Professor (with tenure) in the Faculty of Education, subject to the University's established appointment process. Rank and salary are commensurate with qualifications and experience and carries a research supplement. The University's benefit package is comprehensive.

Interested applicants are invited to send us (contact details below) their curriculum vitae, a five-year research plan, a record of teaching excellence, three papers that are the most significant and relevant to their research interests. Applicants are also asked to have three letters of reference external to UBC and to their current institution sent directly by the arms' length referees to UBC.

The University of British Columbia hires on the basis of merit and is committed to employment equity. All qualified persons are encouraged to apply. We especially welcome applications from members of visible minority groups, women, Aboriginal persons, persons with disabilities, persons of minority sexual orientations and gender identities, and others with the skills and knowledge to engage productively with diverse communities. Preference will be given to Aboriginal candidates as permitted by Section 42 of the BC Human Rights Code and candidates are encouraged to self-identify if they qualify for this preference. Canada Research Chairs are open to persons of any nationality but Canadians and permanent residents of Canada will be given priority. Offers will be made in accordance with Canadian immigration requirements associated with the Canada Research Chairs program. The University of British Columbia is responsive to the needs of dual career couples as an integral part of its strategy for excellence.

The position is subject to budgetary approval. Consideration of candidates will begin January 3, 2017 and will continue until the position is filled. To ensure full consideration, please submit application materials by the date noted. The start date is subject to the announcement of the approval by the CRC Secretariat and final arrangement with the appointee.

Applications and enquires should be directed to:
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