

The Faculty of Arts & Science at the University of Lethbridge invites applications for a Tier II Canada Research Chair (CRC) in Indigenous Studies. The ideal candidate will be within 10 years of receiving their PhD and be an exceptional emerging researcher, acknowledged by their peers as having the potential to lead in their field. The successful candidate will have the capacity to attract competitively awarded research funding from SSHRC and other granting agencies to support a vibrant, externally funded research program.

Applicants must demonstrate a track-record of engaging with Indigenous research methodologies and epistemologies, and evidence a commitment to community-based research that supports community-driven social, political, environmental, economic, and/or cultural aspirations and goals. The research is expected to align with the University of Lethbridge's Strategic Research Plan, provide rich research training opportunities, and contribute to developing interdisciplinary academic networks within the institution (e.g. through Centres and Institutes) and beyond.

We particularly encourage applications from individuals whose research is focused on Indigenous kinship relations, including but not limited to: relationships with the Canadian settler state; status and belonging; cultural sovereignty, self-government, territory; processes of decolonization; adoption; child welfare; reproductive citizenship; individual, child, family, and community resilience and survivorship; human/non-human kinship relations.

The University of Lethbridge is located on traditional Blackfoot Territory and, with the establishment of a Native American Studies Department in 1975, it has sustained a commitment to Indigenous scholarship. Strengths include a vibrant First Nations, Metis and Inuit Gathering Place and a highly successful FNMI transitions program. We have extensive Indigenous undergraduate and graduate programming, and numerous emerging and established scholars pursuing Indigenous research in the humanities, education, fine arts, health sciences, management and social sciences. Information on The University's commitment to Indigenous initiatives can be found here: <http://www.uleth.ca/aboriginal-initiatives> .

Located in southern Alberta, near the Rocky Mountains, Lethbridge offers a sunny, dry climate that is agreeably mild for the prairies, excellent cultural and recreational amenities and attractive economic conditions. Founded in 1967, the University has an enrollment of over 8,200 students from around the world. Our student body has grown by 50 percent in the last 10 years, phenomenal growth among institutions in Canada. Despite this growth, we have remained true to our vision – a student-focused, research-intensive institution, grounded in the liberal education tradition. For more information about the University, please visit our web site at <http://www.uleth.ca>.

Tier II Canada Research Chairs, tenable for five years and renewable once, are for exceptional emerging researchers, acknowledged by their peers as having the potential to lead in their field. More information on the CRC program including eligibility criteria can be found at <http://www.chairs-chaires.gc.ca> . The candidate, expected to compete for the CRC Tier II award, will be hired at the Assistant or Associate Professor level and will contribute to teaching in an appropriate department (Women and Gender Studies,

Native American Studies, Sociology, e.g.) at the University of Lethbridge. Salary and rank will depend on experience and qualifications.

Applications will be considered until May 15, 2016. The nomination of the selected candidate will be submitted to the CRC program by October 2016, with the expected decision date by the program in April 2017. The anticipated starting date for the position is July 1, 2017.

Applications should include a letter of application, a 5-year research plan, a curriculum vitae, and three confidential letters of reference, forwarded directly by referees. For more information about the position, and for details on how to submit your application, please visit our Human Resources website at <https://uleth.peopleadmin.ca/> (use the Academic Postings tab). Enquiries may be directed to Linda Gilbert at [linda.gilbert@uleth.ca](mailto:linda.gilbert@uleth.ca) or +1 (403) 329-5101.

The University of Lethbridge hires on the basis of merit and is committed to employment equity and diversity. All qualified persons are encouraged to apply. In accordance with Canadian Immigration requirements, Canadian citizens and permanent residents will be given preference.