Canadian Institutes of Health Research Tier II Canada Research Chair in Aging and Long-term Care

Position Summary
The Department of Psychology in the Faculty of Arts at the University of Regina invites applications for a tenure-track appointment at the rank of Assistant or Associate Professor. The successful applicant will be nominated for a Canadian Institutes of Health Research Tier II Canada Research Chair in the area of Aging and Long-term Care, with an expected appointment date of July 1st, 2023. The Chair will be expected to develop and lead a strong program of research in the psychology of aging and long-term care that promotes innovative approaches to building better equity-oriented health systems for older adult care.

The Faculty of Arts is home to approximately 100 full-time faculty members in thirteen departments and a range of interdisciplinary programs in social sciences and humanities, including M.A. and M.Sc. programs in Aging Studies. The Department of Psychology has an exceptional track record of obtaining major provincial and national funding and is ranked 2nd among all psychology departments in comprehensive universities in Canada in the 2021 Times Higher Education’s World University Rankings, and 6th overall. It is home to several research chairs, including the Research Chair in Aging and Health, the CRC in Biopsychosocial Determinants of Women’s Mental Health, and the President’s Research Chair.

Position Requirements
The Chair should, at minimum, be an assistant or associate professor, or possess the necessary qualifications to be appointed to these levels and will have a Ph.D. in Clinical Psychology from a CPA- or APA-accredited program. The successful candidate will be expected to register as a psychologist in the province of Saskatchewan within 2 years of the commencement of the appointment. The Chair will be based in the Department of Psychology in the Faculty of Arts. The University of Regina’s Strategic Plan 2020-2025 (kahkiyaw kiwâhkômâkaninawak – All Our Relations) emphasizes Well-being and Belonging as a strategic priority, which includes prioritizing and supporting research in mental health. The work of the Chair will build on existing University of Regina research strengths in the psychology of aging, older adults, and long-term care, including aging in Indigenous populations, pain assessment and management, chronic disease management, palliative and end-of-life care, personhood in dementia, fear of falling among older adults, leisure activity participation, and resilience.

The Department offers highly competitive CPA-accredited Clinical Psychology Master’s and Ph.D. programs, training through its state-of-the-art psychology training clinic, and Master’s and Ph.D. programs in Experimental and Applied Psychology. The Chair, who will contribute to teaching and research supervision in the Clinical program, will benefit from the Department’s excellent working relationships with the University’s Centre on Aging and Health, and with a wide network of community partners including the Saskatchewan Health Authority, Alzheimer’s Society of Saskatchewan, and Saskatchewan Seniors’ Mechanism. Partnerships with specific long-term care facilities, retirement homes, community mental health clinics in Regina, Saskatoon, Prince Albert, and several rural settings outside of these areas will support the research initiatives of the Chair.
To review the full posting and to apply please see https://urcareers.uregina.ca/postings/7742

**Competition Number** 20210302A/S. Please direct all inquiries to: Dr Jeff Loucks, Acting Head, Department of Psychology: PSYC.Head@uregina.ca.

The Canada Research Chairs were established by the Canadian Government as part of a national strategy to foster research excellence. Tier 2 Chairs are intended for exceptional emerging scholars with less than 10 years of active research in their field. Applicants who are more than 10 years from having earned their highest degree, and where career breaks exist, may have their eligibility for a Tier 2 Chair assessed through the program’s Tier 2 justification process (contact Michelle Beitel in the University’s Research Office, michelle.beitel@uregina.ca, 1-306-337-2479). Assessment will consider leaves such as maternity, parental, medical, bereavement (credited at twice the amount of time taken); part-time leaves; other leaves may be considered such as training or administrative leaves, mandatory military service, non-research-related positions, unemployment and training unrelated to the research career; and research interruptions due to the COVID-19 pandemic. The nominee must meet the requirements for the position of Tier 2 Chair as defined by the CRC program. Please consult the Canada Research Chairs website for full program information, including further details on eligibility criteria (http://www.chairs-chaires.gc.ca).

Given that scholars have varying career paths and that career interruptions can be part of excellent academic records, candidates are encouraged to provide any relevant information about their experience or career interruptions to allow for a careful and fair assessment of their application.

All Chairs are subject to review and final approval by the Canada Research Chairs Program.

All candidates are encouraged to apply; however, Canadians and permanent residents will be given priority. Applicants representing designated diversity groups are encouraged to self-identify on their application.

**Special Application Instructions**

Prospective candidates are encouraged to submit their applications as soon as possible. Review of applications will begin February 28, 2022 and will continue until a Canada Research Chair nominee is selected through a candidate appraisal and interview process. To apply, applicants must electronically submit the following documents via the online Human Resources portal http://www.uregina.ca/hr/careers/opportunities.html:

1) a cover letter describing how the applicant meets the criteria for the position;
2) a proposed five-year research plan in the area of Aging and Long-term Care that addresses the objectives of the Canada Research Chair program (maximum 2,500 words). This plan should include a proposal for developing or enhancing interdisciplinary research strengths, and a plan for developing externally funded research projects and/or other projects appropriate to the Canada Research Chair mandate;
3) a statement of teaching philosophy and evidence of teaching effectiveness;
4) an up-to-date curriculum vitae;
5) three research article reprints or preprints; and
6) unofficial transcripts from all post-secondary institutions attended (*please note*: if successfully shortlisted for an interview, official transcripts sent directly from the post-secondary institutions will be required).

Candidates should also arrange for letters from three (3) referees and official university transcripts to be sent directly to: Dean, Faculty of Arts, University of Regina, 3737 Wascana Parkway, Regina SK, S4S 0A2, or to Arts.Deans.Office@uregina.ca.

**Diversity Statement**

The University of Regina is committed to an inclusive workplace that reflects the richness of the community that we serve. The University welcomes applications from all qualified individuals, including individuals within the University’s employment equity categories of women, persons with disabilities, members of visible minorities, Indigenous persons, individuals of diverse gender and sexual orientation and all groups protected by the Human Rights Code.