

Tenure-Track Faculty Member, Indigenous Studies

Applications are invited from qualified Indigenous scholars for a tenure-track faculty appointment at the rank of **Assistant Professor**. The successful candidate will be expected to teach in the core curriculum at the undergraduate and graduate levels, supervise graduate students, mentor students, liaise with Indigenous communities and organizations, actively participate in program development and administration, contribute to the ongoing development of curriculum, and maintain an active research program.

Applicants will have a PhD in Indigenous Studies or relevant discipline (ABD will be considered), and have demonstrated excellence in research, teaching, publication, and Indigenous community engagement. We are seeking Indigenous scholars whose research focus falls within one of three areas: Indigenous literatures and critical media studies (including social media), Indigenous health and well-being, and contemporary Métis studies. Candidates whose work also intersects with urban or northern studies, Indigenous identities, languages, or quantitative methods will be prioritized. The successful candidate will exhibit the ability, knowledge, and experience to engage Indigenous communities and individuals, and demonstrate community and cultural experiences within an Indigenous context. Scholarship that supports local and regional issues in Saskatchewan and the prairies is valued; national, international and comparative perspectives will enhance an application. A dedication to the continued development of Indigenous Studies as a unique discipline is essential.

Indigenous Studies is an interdisciplinary academic department that offers BA, BA Honours, MA, and PhD programs. We are situated in the College of Arts and Science and currently have eight full-time faculty members, including one research chair, with additional term appointees, and associate and adjunct members from other departments and institutions. Indigenous Studies is dedicated to the development of applied and theoretical investigations of Indigenous concerns and strategic community-based research. It is also dedicated to servicing the Indigenous Studies content needs of other academic programs in the university on and off-campus. For more information on the Department please see <https://artsandscience.usask.ca/indigenoustudies/department/goals.php>.

The University of Saskatchewan is located in Saskatoon, Saskatchewan, a city with a diverse and thriving economic base, a vibrant arts community and a full range of leisure opportunities. The University has a reputation for excellence in teaching, research and scholarly activities and offers a full range of undergraduate, graduate, and professional programs to a student population of over 25,000. The Indigenous student population is approximately 13%.

There are seven Indigenous nations whose territories make up the province of Saskatchewan: Cree, Anishnaabeg, Lakota, Dakota, Nakoda, Dene and Métis. Saskatchewan is also home to many other Indigenous peoples from across Canada and beyond. Collectively, Indigenous people make up 16% of the provincial population and almost 10% of the population of the city of Saskatoon. The University of Saskatchewan's main campus is situated on Treaty 6 Territory and the Homeland of the Métis. We pay our respects to the First Nations and Métis ancestors of this place and reaffirm our relationship with one another. Together, we are uplifting Indigenous to a place of prominence at the University of Saskatchewan.

The College of Arts & Science offers a dynamic combination of programs in the humanities, fine arts, social sciences, and natural sciences. There are more than 10,000 undergraduate and graduate students enrolled in the College, and 312 faculty members, including seven Canada Research Chairs.

The College emphasizes student and faculty research, interdisciplinary programs, community outreach and international opportunities.

Salary Bands: Assistant Professor \$98,178 - \$117,978. This position is anticipated to be at the Assistant Professor rank.

Benefits: This position includes a comprehensive benefits package which includes a dental, health and extended vision care plan; pension plan, life insurance (compulsory and voluntary), academic long-term disability, sick leave, travel insurance, death benefits, an employee assistance program, a professional expense allowance, and a flexible health and wellness spending program.

Application Procedure: Indigenous applicants are expected to provide supporting evidence of their Indigenous identity and community relationships. Applicants will submit, via email, a letter of application, an up-to-date CV, a one-to-two page research statement that outlines current and future research projects, copies of relevant publications, a statement of teaching philosophy, a list of Indigenous Studies courses they are qualified to teach and/or would like to develop, and three letters of reference to:

James B. Waldram, PhD
Chair, Search Committee
Department of Indigenous Studies
College of Arts and Science
University of Saskatchewan
Email: j.waldram@usask.ca

Due to federal immigration requirements, we also ask candidates to indicate whether they are Canadian citizens, permanent residents, or are otherwise already authorized to work at this position for the duration of the appointment, with an explanation if this last category is indicated.

Review of applications will begin by **December 15, 2021**; however, applications will be accepted and evaluated until the positions are filled. The anticipated start date is July 1, 2022.

The University believes equity, diversity, and inclusion strengthen the community and enhance excellence, innovation, and creativity. We are dedicated to recruiting individuals who will enrich our work and learning environments. All qualified candidates are encouraged to apply; however, in accordance with Canadian immigration requirements, Canadian citizens and permanent residents will be given priority. We are committed to employment equity and diversity and are proud to support career opportunities for Indigenous staff. Applicants from Indigenous communities are especially encouraged for this role with preference of employment to Indigenous candidates.

We are committed to providing accommodations to those with a disability or medical necessity. If you require an accommodation in order to participate in the recruitment process, please notify us and we will work together on the accommodation request.