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Business Title: CRC in Ecofeminism and Environmental Humanities
VP/Faculty: UBCO-Provost & VPresident Acad
Department: UBCO - English & Cultural Stud
Full/Part Time: Full-Time
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CANADA RESEARCH CHAIR IN ECOFEMINISM AND ENVIRONMENTAL HUMANITIES

The Department of English and Cultural Studies at the University of British Columbia, Okanagan Campus, seeks outstanding candidates for a SSHRC Tier 2 Canada Research Chair in Ecofeminism in the Environmental Humanities. The successful candidate will be eligible to hold an appointment at the rank of Assistant or Associate Professor, tenure track. The academic appointment could start as early as July 1, 2020.

The successful candidate must be an emerging scholar (normally having completed a PhD within the past ten years) and must have a demonstrated record of excellence in research output relating to ecofeminist theory in the environmental humanities. Priority will be given to research that attends to intersections of gender, race, colonialism, class, sexuality, materialities, and species in cultural imaginaries of nature and the environment. Possible areas of specialization include: critical animal studies, feminist activism, Indigenous/settler relations, water, food and land systems, posthumanisms, biodiversity, and climate change.

In UBC's Strategic Plan: Shaping UBC's Next Century, inclusion, innovation, and collaboration have been identified as our key themes. We welcome colleagues with the experiences and skills to contribute to our principles of inclusion, equity, and diversity throughout campus life. Please tell us about your strengths and experiences in increasing equity, diversity, and inclusion in your previous institutional environment, in curriculum, and in supporting diverse students

The successful applicant must have a demonstrated ability to provide intellectual leadership and enhance research capacity in the fields of ecofeminism and the environmental humanities. The position will involve cross-disciplinary collaboration and engagement with the Public Humanities Hub. It will afford teaching and supervision opportunities at the graduate level, with participation in one or more of the campus's unique Interdisciplinary Graduate Studies themes: Sustainability; Global Studies; Community Engagement, Social Change, and Equity; Digital Arts and Humanities; or Power, Conflict, and Ideas. The position may include teaching in one or more of the following undergraduate programs: English; Cultural Studies; Gender and Women's Studies; and Sustainability. The position could also afford opportunities to work in the areas of digital humanities and the environment, public humanities, or art practice and environmental justice. We strongly encourage applications from scholars with a demonstrated record of working successfully with a diversity of students, including underrepresented and marginalized populations. We also encourage applications from scholars whose research shows engagement with public-facing scholarship, with community-based collaborative projects, or with international partnerships. We are interested in candidates whose research speaks to specific environmental contexts, such as this

university's own region, the unceded, ancestral territory of the Syilx people of the Okanagan Valley.

The Department of English and Cultural Studies exists within the Faculty of Creative and Critical Studies at UBC's Okanagan Campus. For more information about the department and the faculty, please visit this site: <https://fcss.ok.ubc.ca/about/>. For more information about the campus, please visit this site: www.hr.ubc.ca/housing-relocation/okanagan-profile/welcome-guide-kelowna/

Tier 2 Chairs are intended for exceptional emerging scholars (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. We recognize the legitimate impact that leaves (e.g. maternity leave, leave due to illness) can have on a candidate's record of research achievement and these leaves will be taken into careful consideration during the assessment process. For information on the CRC nomination process, please see https://www.chairs-chaire.gc.ca/program-programme/nomination-mise_en_candidature-eng.aspx

In accordance with UBC's CRC Equity, Diversity, & Inclusion Action Plan (<https://academic.ubc.ca/sites/vpa.ubc.ca/files/documents/EDIAP%20-%2013%20DEC%202018%20EE.pdf>), and pursuant to Section 42 of the BC Human Rights code, the selection will be restricted to members of the following designated groups: women, visible minorities (members of groups that are racially categorized), persons with disabilities, and Indigenous Peoples. Applicants to Canada Research Chair positions are asked to complete this equity survey as part of the application: https://ubc.ca1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_6WJHo17SfPxRMu9. Candidates from these groups must self-identify as belonging to one or more of the designated equity groups to be considered for the position. Because the search is limited to those self-identifying as members of designated equity groups, candidates must also provide their name to be considered.

Personal information is collected under the authority of sections 26(a) and 26(c) of the BC Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act. The information you provide will only be used to determine whether you qualify for participation in this hiring process. Data will be collected by the Equity & Inclusion Office and only the names of those who identify as women, visible minorities (member of groups that are racially categorized) and/or Indigenous Peoples will be shared with the search committee. Currently, UBC has a gap in representation for people with disabilities. Until such time as this is remedied, the names of those self-identifying as having a disability will be provided separately to the search committee. Responses will be stored in a secure database.

UBC welcomes and encourages applications from people with disabilities. Accommodations are available on request for all candidates taking part in all aspects of the selection process. To confidentially request accommodations, please contact Sheila Andrulevich at 250.807.9399 or sheila.andrulevich@ubc.ca.

How to apply

Application material must include the following:

- A letter of application
- A complete curriculum vitae
- A statement of teaching philosophy
- Evidence or record of teaching effectiveness
- Examples of published scholarly research or professional work.

Candidates should arrange for three letters of reference to be sent directly to Dr. Michael Treschow, Acting Head, Department of English and Cultural Studies at recruitment.fccs@ubc.ca with a subject line "Tier 2 Canada Research Chair in Ecofeminism in the Environmental Humanities".

Inquiries on this posting may be directed to Dr. Michael Treschow at michael.treschow@ubc.ca.

Review of applications will begin January 31, 2020 and will continue until the position is filled.

Equity and diversity are essential to academic excellence. An open and diverse community fosters the inclusion of voices that have been underrepresented or discouraged. We encourage applications from members of groups that have been marginalized on any grounds enumerated under the B.C. Human Rights Code, including sex, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, racialization, disability, political belief, religion, marital or family status, age, and/or status as a First Nation, Metis, Inuit, or Indigenous person.

All qualified candidates are encouraged to apply; however Canadians and permanent residents will be given priority.