



Department of Social Sciences: SSHRC Tier 2 Canada Research Chair in Resilient and Sustainable Communities

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UNB Saint John

Closing Date: Review of applications will commence by July 3, 2020.

The Department of Social Science, Faculty of Arts, at The University of New Brunswick's Saint John campus invites applications for a SSHRC Tier 2 Canada Research Chair in Resilient and Sustainable Communities. This is a tenure-track appointment at the rank of Assistant or Associate Professor, commensurate with the candidate's qualifications and experience. This position has an anticipated start date of July 1, 2021, pending a successful CRC nomination. This position will uphold UNB's commitment to increasing the representation of women among its chairholders. Therefore, only applicants who self-identify as a woman will be considered for this opportunity. Review of applications will commence by July 3, 2020.

Per UNB regulations, the applicant must have a PhD in Sociology together with relevant professional experience and a record of excellence in university research and teaching. The Chair's research focus will include issues such as economic vulnerability and poverty, affordable housing, community wellness and/or demographic change that will bring about the development, implementation and evaluation of evidence-based interventions aimed at increasing priority neighbourhoods' economic security, social wellbeing, civic engagement, and ecological sustainability. The Chair will be adept in qualitative and quantitative research methods, with expertise in program evaluation, a record of successful involvement in complex community partnerships and a strong program of research. Ideally, she should have a record of managing teams of researchers, supervision of graduate students and success in obtaining research funding. The successful candidate will be a research affiliate with the Urban and Community Studies Institute and will benefit from the Centre for Criminal Justice Studies and UNB's history of positive engagement with community organizations. The Chair will establish a diverse team of community organizers and researchers, secure external funding, and align her research with the strategic plans of UNB and the Faculty. The successful candidate will also contribute to undergraduate teaching (no more than the equivalent of one full course per year) and to departmental and university service.

Tier 2 Chairs are intended for exceptional emerging scholars (i.e., candidates must have been active researchers in their field for fewer than 10 years at the time of nomination), acknowledged by their peers as having the potential to lead in their field. Potential 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., and/or where applicable exceptional circumstances are present, may have their eligibility for a Tier 2 Chair assessed through the

CRC Program's Tier 2 justification process. Please contact Heidi Van Wart at crc@unb.ca for more information. UNB recognizes the legitimate impact that leaves (e.g., parental, illness) can have on a candidate's record of research achievement. Leaves will be taken into careful consideration during the assessment process. Please consult the Canada Research Chairs website for full program information, including further details on eligibility criteria.

Please send applications to the attention of Dr. Dann Downes, Chair of Social Science, at the email address below. Include a cover letter with your research and teaching interests and goals; your CV (with publications hyperlinked to online versions, where possible); and three academic references with their contact information: **Department of Social Science, UNB Saint John, socsci@unb.ca (+1 506.648.5590).**

All qualified persons who self-identify as women are encouraged to apply. Applicants should indicate current citizenship status. The offer of an appointment is conditional upon a successful outcome of the CRC nomination. UNB ensures that employment opportunities are accessible to all applicants. To request accommodations at any stage in the recruitment and hiring process, please contact UNB's HR Assistant (Employment & Equity) at 506-453-4648 or hrandod@unb.ca.

Short-listed candidates will be required to provide satisfactory proof of credentials including appropriately certified translations of credentials into English, as applicable.

The University of New Brunswick is committed to fostering diversity within our community and developing an inclusive workplace that reflects the richness of the broader community that we serve. The University welcomes and encourages applications from all candidates who will help us achieve our goals, including women, visible minorities, Indigenous peoples, persons with disabilities, persons of any sexual orientation, gender identity or gender expression. We recognize that career paths are not always linear, particularly for individuals from marginalized groups, and we encourage applicants to explain the impact any career interruptions may have had on their research history. Preference will be given to Canadian citizens and permanent residents of Canada.