

FEATURED JOB: Assistant Professor, Indigenous Studies, University of Toronto - Mississauga, Historical Studies

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The Department of Historical Studies at the University of Toronto Mississauga invites applications for one (1) tenure stream appointment at the rank of Assistant Professor in Indigenous Studies. The appointment will begin July 1, 2020, or shortly thereafter.

Candidates must have a Ph.D. in History, Religion, Indigenous Studies, or a related field by the date of appointment or shortly thereafter, with a demonstrated record of excellence in research and teaching. The successful candidate's research will focus on First Nations, Métis, and/or Inuit histories, specifically in one or more of the following: the history of Indigenous territories and their borderlands; the history of Indigenous peoples and cultures; Indigenous-settler history; environmental history; and/or transnational history. Expertise in and engagement with the peoples, methodologies, and epistemologies indigenous to the land on which the University of Toronto sits is expected, as is an understanding of the importance of consensus-building relationships and ethical engagement and collaboration with Indigenous communities, organizations, and institutions. Moreover, the successful candidate will have a demonstrated ability to teach Canadian content.

We seek candidates whose research and teaching interests complement and enhance our existing departmental strengths. The successful candidate will be expected to pursue innovative and independent research at the highest international level and to establish an outstanding, and externally funded research program.

The successful candidate will show a record of excellence in research demonstrated by: 1) evidence of creative and professional work that engages with collaborative/collective knowledge building with Indigenous communities, both within and beyond the university in various public fora; 2) publications or forthcoming publications meeting high international standards in venues important to the field of Indigenous Studies (including academic journals, edited volumes and monographs with academic and other presses, and relevant other outlets); 3) participation in professional and other associations and organizations critical to the production and dissemination of Indigenous knowledges; 4) successful or pending applications for fellowships and/or grant funding from competitive funding sources; 5) the submitted research statement; and 6) strong endorsements by referees of high standing as well as evidence of Indigenous community engagement.

The successful candidate will also have a demonstrated ability to develop an excellent teaching program informed by Indigenous pedagogies and to be a strong mentor at the undergraduate and graduate level. In particular, we seek candidates who demonstrate an engagement with Indigenous

knowledges, epistemologies, and methodologies. Evidence of excellence in teaching will be demonstrated through teaching accomplishments, strong letters of reference, and the teaching dossier including the teaching statement, sample course materials, and teaching evaluations, or other evidence of superior performance in teaching-related activities submitted as part of the application. Other teaching-related activities can include performance as a teaching assistant or course instructor, experience leading successful workshops or seminars, student mentorship, or excellent conference presentations or posters

This position is part of the University of Toronto's response to the calls to action in Canada's Truth and Reconciliation Commission (TRC) report. Preference will be given to candidates who self-identify as Indigenous. Recognizing that there are a variety of terms that potential candidates may use to self-identify, the University uses the term "Indigenous" in this search,

which forms part of the U of T Response to Canada's Truth and Reconciliation Commission, to encompass the people of Turtle Island, including those who identify as First Nations, Métis, Inuk (Inuit), Alaska Native, Native American, and Native Hawaiian people.

The successful candidate will teach in the undergraduate program at the University of Toronto Mississauga and be part of a cross-departmental effort to seed an Indigenous Studies centre at UTM. They will also be a member of the Graduate Department of History, University of Toronto. The University of Toronto Graduate Program in History is a tri-campus program, staffed by faculty from the University's three campuses, and housed at the St.

George (downtown) campus. It is also possible that the successful candidate join another graduate department if more appropriate. The successful candidate will join a lively intellectual community of world-class scholars at Canada's leading university. The University of Toronto offers a wide range of opportunities for collaborative and interdisciplinary research and teaching, and the excitement of working with a highly diverse student population in a context that actively encourages innovative scholarship. The Greater Toronto Area offers amazing cultural and demographic diversity, including a vibrant Indigenous community, and one of the highest standards of living in the world.

Salary is commensurate with qualification and experience.

All qualified candidates are invited to apply online by clicking the link below. To be considered for this position, all application materials must be submitted online by November 14, 2019.

Applicants must include 1) a cover letter describing their research agenda and their impact on collaborative knowledge building; 2) a curriculum vitae; 3) a recent writing sample; 4) a research statement; and 5) a teaching dossier (including a statement of teaching philosophy, sample syllabi, teaching evaluations, and other teaching materials showing evidence of excellent performance in teaching-related activities as listed above).

Applicants must also include three letters of recommendation, and a letter of support commenting on their Indigenous community engagement, directly to the department via email (on letterhead, dated, signed and scanned) to: historical.studies@utoronto.ca, which must be received by the closing date of November 14, 2019.

Submission guidelines can be found at: <http://uoft.me/how-to-apply>. Please submit attachments in PDF format only and label each file with the job number 1903672 and accordingly as cover letter, CV, or teaching dossier.

If you have questions about this position, please contact historical.studies@utoronto.ca. Additional information on the Department can be obtained at <http://www.utm.utoronto.ca/historical-studies> (for undergraduate studies), and <http://history.utoronto.ca/graduate> (for graduate studies).

The University of Toronto is strongly committed to diversity within its community and especially welcomes applications from racialized persons/persons of colour, women, Indigenous/Aboriginal People of North America, persons with disabilities, LGBTQ persons, and others who may contribute to the further diversification of ideas.

As part of your application, you will be asked to complete a brief Diversity Survey. This survey is voluntary. Any information directly related to you is confidential and cannot be accessed by search committees or human resources staff. Results will be aggregated for institutional planning purposes. For more information, please see <http://uoft.me/UP>

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

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