FEATURED JOB: Associate Professor/Professor - Jewish History, University of Toronto - St. George

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University of Toronto - St. George, Dept of History and the Centre for Jewish Studies

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The Department of History and the Centre for Jewish Studies in the Faculty of Arts and Science at the University of Toronto invite applications for a full-time tenure-stream position in the area of Jewish History. The appointment will be at the rank of Associate Professor or Professor with an expected start date of September 1, 2022. The successful candidate will be appointed as the endowed Samuel J. Zacks Chair of Jewish History for a five-year term, renewable following a favourable review, and will be appointed to the Department of History (51%) and the Centre for Jewish Studies (49%).

Applicants must have earned a PhD degree in History or a closely related field, with a clearly demonstrated exceptional record of excellence in research and teaching with a focus on Modern Jewish History. We seek candidates whose research and teaching interests complement and strengthen our existing strengths: http://www.history.utoronto.ca and https://www.jewishstudies.utoronto.ca/. Candidates will have an established international reputation and will be expected to sustain and lead innovative and independent research at the highest international level and to maintain an outstanding, competitive, and externally funded research program.

Candidates must provide evidence of research excellence which can be demonstrated by an exceptional, sustained record of scholarship, including a well-received book or books, high impact articles in leading journals, the submitted research statement, presentations at international conferences, distinguished awards and accolades, and other noteworthy activities that contribute to the visibility and prominence of the discipline, as well as strong endorsements from referees of high standing. Desired specializations are the modern and medieval history (in a broad sense of the term “modern”) of Jews in a global context, including Europe, the Americas, Middle East, Africa, and Asia. Command of languages relevant to the subject area is essential.

Evidence of excellence in teaching will be provided through teaching accomplishments, the teaching dossier submitted as part of the application including a strong statement of teaching philosophy, sample course syllabi, teaching evaluations, and graduate supervisions, as well as strong letters of reference. The successful candidate will teach at all levels of the undergraduate and graduate program and supervise theses at the Honours, Master’s, and Doctoral levels.

Candidates are also expected to show evidence of a commitment to equity, diversity, inclusion, and the promotion of a respectful and collegial learning and working environment demonstrated through
the application materials.

Undergraduate courses will include an introductory survey of Jewish history from antiquity to the present, and more specialized courses that complement existing strengths in the history of early modern Mediterranean Jewry, Soviet Jewish History, and the Holocaust. The Zacks Chairholder should demonstrate active engagement with innovative methodological and theoretical approaches. The Zacks Chairholder will also teach interdisciplinary courses administered by the Anne Tanenbaum Centre for Jewish Studies and contribute to the collaborative graduate program in Jewish Studies.

Salary and rank will be commensurate with qualifications and experience.

This position will be held at the University of Toronto campus in downtown Toronto (St. George campus). Learn more about the History Department at [http://www.history.utoronto.ca](http://www.history.utoronto.ca) and the Anne Tanenbaum Centre for Jewish Studies at [https://www.jewishstudies.utoronto.ca/](https://www.jewishstudies.utoronto.ca/).

All qualified candidates are invited to apply online by clicking the link below. Applicants must submit a cover letter, a current curriculum vitae, a research statement outlining current and future research interests, sample(s) of recent scholarly work (e.g., an article or book chapter), a teaching dossier to include a statement of teaching philosophy, sample course syllabi, teaching evaluations, description of graduate supervisions, and a proposal for a “dream” course intended for advanced undergraduates in History.

We seek candidates who value diversity and whose research, teaching and service bear out our commitment to equity. Candidates are therefore also asked to submit a 1-2 page statement of contributions to equity and diversity, which might cover topics such as (but not limited to): research or teaching that incorporates a focus on underrepresented communities, the development of inclusive pedagogies, or the mentoring of students from underrepresented groups.

Applicants must provide the name and contact information of three references. The University of Toronto’s recruiting tool will automatically solicit and collect letters of reference from each once an application is submitted (this happens overnight). Applicants must remain responsible for ensuring that references submit letters (on letterhead, dated, and signed) by the closing date.

Submission guidelines can be found at: [http://uoft.me/how-to-apply](http://uoft.me/how-to-apply).

Your CV and cover letter should be uploaded into the dedicated fields. Please combine additional application materials into one or two files PDF/MS Word format. If you have any questions about this position, please contact history.ea@utoronto.ca.

Review of applications will begin after April 4, 2022. Complete applications (including letters of reference) must be received by the April 4 2022, closing date.

All qualified candidates are encouraged to apply; however, Canadians and permanent residents will be given priority.
Diversity Statement
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, LGBTQ2S+ 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.

Accessibility Statement
The University strives to be an equitable and inclusive community, and proactively seeks to increase diversity among its community members. Our values regarding equity and diversity are linked with our unwavering commitment to excellence in the pursuit of our academic mission.

The University is committed to the principles of the Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act (AODA). As such, we strive to make our recruitment, assessment and selection processes as accessible as possible and provide accommodations as required for applicants with disabilities.

If you require any accommodations at any point during the application and hiring process, please contact uoft.careers@utoronto.ca.

Apply at https://jobs.utoronto.ca/job/Toronto-Associate-ProfessorProfessor-Jewish-History-ON/556998317/

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