Posting - Canada Research Chair (Tier II) SoTL (Scholarship of Teaching and Learning)

Mount Royal University (MRU) invites applications for a Canada Research Chair (CRC) Tier II in Scholarship of Teaching and Learning (SoTL) and a tenure-track/tenured position at the rank of Assistant or Associate Professor. The CRC program was established by the government of Canada to enable Canadian universities to foster research excellence and enhance their role as centres of world-class research. CRC researchers (Tier II) are exceptional emerging researchers, recognized by their peers as having the potential to lead in their field. The position will commence July 1, 2020, subject to final budgetary approval, for a term of five years with an opportunity to renew for an additional term.

The successful candidate will demonstrate the potential to carry out a research program that explores and significantly contributes to the Scholarship of Teaching and Learning – original research about teaching and learning in the higher education context. The CRC in SoTL will contribute to pedagogical excellence and innovation through SoTL research, collaborations, and dissemination at MRU and beyond. The position is housed within MRU's well-established and internationally regarded Institute for the Scholarship of Teaching and Learning. The successful candidate will be expected to work independently but also to engage with MRU students-aspartners, faculty members across disciplines, the Academic Director of the Institute for SoTL, and the international SoTL community.

As SoTL is conducted by academics from a broad range of disciplines, the disciplinary background for the position is not specified; however, as the position also requires a tenured or tenure-track position at MRU, applicants must be able to teach in one of our academic programs and/or work as an educational developer in the Academic Development Centre. While this is a research-focused position, the successful candidate will carry a reduced teaching load and is expected to contribute academic service to the University. As an emerging scholar, the candidate will normally have completed their Ph.D within the last ten years. The candidate should present an innovative research program in SoTL, a record of obtaining SoTL funding, and the capacity to contribute to MRU's undergraduate educational experience.

If recommended by the search committee, the candidate will be considered for an appointment in the appropriate department at MRU. Once appointed, the successful candidate will subsequently be nominated to a Tier II CRC, with the development of the proposal immediately following. Nominations for Canada Research Chairs are subject to review by the CRC Secretariat and appointment as a CRC is conditional on the Secretariat's approval (see the CRC terms of reference http://www.chairs-chaires.gc.ca/).

Applications for this position should include:

- a curriculum vitae;
- a statement of teaching philosophy and accomplishments (up to 2 pages);
- evidence of excellence in teaching and/or educational development (for example, evaluations or awards);
- · highlights of SoTL accomplishments to date;
- a five-year research plan which includes aspects of the planned CRC proposal (up to 4 pages); and,
- the names and contact information of four referees.

Applications must be submitted online on the MRU Human Resources Careers website. Applications will not be accepted by email. Review of applications will begin on March 4, 2019 and will continue until the position is filled. The anticipated start date is July 1, 2020.

MRU recognizes the legitimate impact that leaves (e.g., maternity or parental leave, leave due to illness) can have on a candidate's record of research achievement. These leaves will be taken into consideration during the assessment process. Potential applicants who are more than 10 years from their PhD with career interruptions may contact the institution to have their eligibility reviewed through the Tier II justification process. For specific questions about the CRC or eligibility, please contact Dr. Mike Quinn, Associate Vice President, Research at mquinn@mtroyal.ca.

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At MRU, we recognize that people are a combination of many intersecting identities; we work to cultivate an environment that welcomes the whole person, and harnesses the strength that is available in our diversity, creating a rich and inclusive workplace where each person's individuality is celebrated. In the spirit of cultivating inclusiveness, candidates who meet the qualifications may have diverse educational and experiential backgrounds which will be considered.

Mount Royal University is also committed to supporting individuals who require accommodation to the point of undue hardship. For further information, please contact Heidi Peterson, Ability Management Consultant at 403-440-8573.

We thank all applicants for their interest. Only applicants selected for an interview will be contacted. After the close date, you can check on the status of your application through your Career Centre. New career opportunities arise frequently and are posted as they become available. Please check back often to view our latest postings on our Career Opportunities page. All qualified candidates are encouraged to apply; however, Canadians and permanent residents will be given priority. Mount Royal University hires on the basis of merit and is strongly

committed to fostering diversity as a source of excellence, intellectual and cultural enrichment, and social strength. We welcome applications from those who would contribute to the further diversification of our staff, faculty and their scholarship including but not limited to Indigenous Peoples, women, persons with disabilities and persons of any sexual or gender identity, ethnic, national or socio-economic background, religion or age.