

Canada Research Chair (Tier 2) in Activity and Aging

The Faculty of Health Sciences (FHS) at Western University invites applications for a Tier 2 Canada Research Chair (CRC) in *Activity and Aging*. The Faculty of Health Sciences is home to the [Canadian Centre for Activity and Aging \(CCAA\)](#); a research centre with over a 32-year history of promoting physical activity and the health and well-being of older adults through a combination of basic and applied research, educational resources, and community-based programs. The Chair will play a role in the scientific leadership of the CCAA. The Chair also will join a growing group of FHS researchers focused on mobility and activity, including two Endowed Chairs (William and Lynne Gray Endowed Research Chair in Mobility and Activity, and the Frank J. Hayden Endowed Chair in Sport and Social Impact).

The Faculty of Health Sciences invites applications from researchers working in the broad areas of health, activity, and aging. These areas include physiological and psychological aspects of aging; social inclusion and barriers to participation with aging; health policy and promotion of activity and aging, among other areas broadly related to activity and aging. The successful candidate will have a strong record of multidisciplinary and collaborative research that is aligned with the overall strategic plan and research priorities of the CCAA and the Faculty of Health Sciences (https://www.uwo.ca/fhs/about/files/strat_research_plan_2016.pdf). In keeping with the CRC Tier 2 status of this position, the successful candidate will be assigned a workload where the majority is in research, with smaller percentages in teaching, including mentoring students in aging research, and in service.

The successful candidate will be appointed at the rank of Assistant Professor (tenure track) or Associate Professor with Tenure in the appropriate [School within the Faculty of Health Sciences](#). Salary and rank are commensurate with qualifications and experience, with an anticipated start date of July 1, 2022. The successful candidate will have a PhD or equivalent and will have a background in a health-related discipline such as Health Sciences, Nursing, Kinesiology, or Rehabilitation Sciences. The successful candidate's research interests will be supported by a record of external funding, peer-reviewed publications, and national/international exposure through invited lectures and/or conference symposia as appropriate for their discipline and career stage. Evidence of research leadership or potential would be beneficial. In short, the successful candidate will be an emerging researcher with demonstrated research activity and creativity, acknowledged by peers as possessing the potential to achieve international recognition and to lead in their field in the next five to ten years, and possess the potential to attract high quality personnel and future research collaborators. Finally, the successful applicant will show evidence of contributing to equity, diversity, and inclusion in academia.

In addition to the CCAA, FHS is home to several highly regarded research centres including the [Centre for Research on Health Equity and Social Inclusion](#), the [National Centre for Audiology](#) and the [International Centre for Olympic Studies](#). The Faculty also supports close collaborative research links with the [Lawson Health Research Institute](#), [Robarts Research Institute](#), [Gray Centre for Mobility and Activity](#) at Parkwood Institute, [Western Institute for Neuroscience](#), [Bone and Joint Institute](#) and the [Institute for Earth & Space Exploration](#), whose research scientists can play pivotal roles in *Activity and Aging* research. The FHS is well-positioned as a progressive, multidisciplinary Faculty with core expertise in areas that will support the work of the successful candidate.

With annual research funding exceeding \$220 million, and an international reputation for success, Western ranks as one of Canada's top research-intensive universities. Our research excellence expands knowledge and drives discovery with real-world application. Western also provides an exceptional employment experience, offering competitive salaries, a wide range of employment opportunities and one of Canada's most beautiful campuses.

General information about Western can be found at <http://www.uwo.ca>. The university campus is in London, Ontario (www.london.ca), a thriving city with a metropolitan census of 530,000 located midway between Toronto, Ontario and Detroit, Michigan. It is proximate to a number of other leading research institutions which provides additional collaborative opportunities.

In accordance with the regulations set for Tier 2 Canada Research Chairs <https://www.chairs-chaire.gc.ca/>, Tier 2 chairs are intended for exceptional emerging scholars (i.e., candidates must have less than 10 years of experience as an active researcher in their field 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; please contact Research Development at The University of Western Ontario at ResearchWesternCRC@uwo.ca for more information. Please consult the Canada Research Chair website for full information, including further details on eligibility criteria at https://www.chairs-chaire.gc.ca/program-programme/nomination-mise_en_candidature-eng.aspx.

Western University recognizes that our commitment to equity, diversity and inclusion is central to the University's mandate as a research-intensive institution of higher learning and a community leader. Western understands that our pursuit of research excellence and our commitment to equity, diversity and inclusion are mutually supporting. As such, Western is committed to achieving and maintaining an equitable representation amongst our Canada Research Chair holders, as well as within Western's broader research enterprise. Western University recognizes the potential impact that legitimate career interruptions can have on a candidate's record of research achievement. Potential candidates are encouraged to describe within their application the impact that career interruptions have had on their record, and to submit a full career or extended CV to a chairholder position in cases where they have had career interruptions.

Interested applicants are invited to submit a complete application package, **as a single PDF file**, containing the following:

- Application for Full-Time Faculty Position form (<https://www.uwo.ca/facultyrelations/pdf/full-time-application-form.pdf>)
- Cover letter that outlines their interest and qualifications for the role, and a statement on Equity, Diversity, Inclusion in relation to their teaching, research, and leadership
- Curriculum vitae
- Brief statement of teaching, research, and leadership accomplishments, and future-oriented research statement
- Names and contact information of three academic referees

The application package can be submitted via email to:

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The deadline for receipt of applications is February 23, 2022.

Please quote number HS-236 on all correspondence.

Effective September 7, 2021, all employees and visitors to campus are required to comply with Western's COVID-19 Vaccination Policy ([uwo.ca/univsec/pdf/policies_procedures/section3/mapp311_covid19.pdf](https://www.uwo.ca/univsec/pdf/policies_procedures/section3/mapp311_covid19.pdf)).

Positions are subject to budget approval. Applicants should have fluent written and oral communication skills in English. The University invites applications from all qualified individuals. Western is committed to employment equity and diversity in the workplace and welcomes applications from women, members of racialized groups/visible minorities, Indigenous peoples, persons with disabilities, persons of any sexual orientation, and persons of any gender identity or gender expression.

In accordance with Canadian Immigration requirements, priority will be given to Canadian citizens and permanent residents. Accommodations are available for applicants with disabilities throughout the recruitment process. If you require accommodations for interviews or other meetings, please contact Wanda Chebott, Executive Assistant to the Dean of Health Sciences at 519-661-4239 or wechebot@uwo.ca

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