



UNIVERSITY OF
CALGARY

**Canada Research Chair (Tier I), Digital Health, Department of Community Health Sciences,
Cumming School of Medicine**

The Department of Community Health Sciences, Cumming School of Medicine, University of Calgary and the O'Brien Institute for Public Health invite applications from outstanding investigators for a Canada Research Chair (Tier I) position in Digital Health. The successful candidate will be appointed at the rank of Professor (with tenure) and will be nominated for a CIHR Tier 1 Canada Research Chair. This position has 75% protected time for research with the remaining 25% time for teaching and service activities.

The Canada Research Chairs Program stands at the center of a national strategy to make Canada one of the world's top countries in research and development. It invests approximately \$295 million per year to attract and retain a diverse cadre of world-class researchers, to reinforce academic research and training excellence in Canadian postsecondary institutions. Tier 1 Chairs are tenable for seven years and renewable once. Tier 1 Chairs are intended for exceptional established scholars (i.e., candidates must be an established active researcher in their field and an Associate Professor eligible for promotion within 1-2 years or a full Professor). Further information about the Canada Research Chairs Program can be found on the Government of Canada's CRC website (<https://www.chairs-chaires.gc.ca/home-accueil-eng.aspx>), including eligibility criteria.

The ideal candidate will have a PhD or equivalent combination of education and experience (i.e. MD and a formal research degree). The O'Brien Institute for Public Health aims to expand capacity to adapt, evaluate and implement digital technologies for better health and all areas of broadly related expertise will be considered. Areas considered include health services and policy research, biostatistics, epidemiology, informatics, innovation and entrepreneurship, engineering, data science and computer science. The successful candidate will have academic qualifications commensurate with an appointment at the rank of Professor including a competitive externally funded research program, significant publication track record demonstrating thought-leadership in the field, explicit knowledge translation activities to move research findings into practice and a high-quality training program engaging learners at all levels.

The interests of the successful candidate should align strongly with the strategic research priorities of the O'Brien Institute for Public Health (<https://obrieniph.ucalgary.ca/OBrien-Institute-strategic-plan-2022-2027>) and the Cumming School of Medicine's strategic plan (<https://cumming.ucalgary.ca/sites/default/files/teams/19/policies-forms/stratplan1-9-15.pdf>). The candidates' interests should also align with the University of Calgary's university-wide strategic research plan (<https://www.ucalgary.ca/eyeshigh/roadmap>).

The Cumming School of Medicine seeks to recruit and retain a diverse and inclusive workforce that will contribute to creating the future of health. We are committed to fostering diversity through cultivating an environment where people with a variety of backgrounds, genders, interests, and talents feel

welcome and supported. This includes the provision of a formal mentoring program, internal grant review programs that enhance success in research grant applications, pilot funding programs and other support programs.

The University of Calgary has an Office of Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion that is mandated to uphold and facilitate the university campus as a place for creative, respectful, constructive debate or dialogue about controversial issues in a safe environment, and is designed to deal with both individual and systemic issues. For more information, please visit: <https://www.ucalgary.ca/equity-diversity-inclusion> We are committed to fostering diversity through cultivating an environment where people with a variety of backgrounds, genders, interests, and talents feel welcome and supported.

The University of Calgary recognizes that candidates have varying career paths and that career interruptions can be part of an excellent academic record. Candidates are encouraged but not required to provide any relevant information about their experience and/or career interruptions to allow for a fair assessment of their application. Selection committees have been instructed to give careful consideration to, and be sensitive to the impact of career interruptions, when assessing the candidate's research productivity.

Interested individuals are encouraged to submit an application online via the 'Apply Now' link. Please be aware the application process allows for only four attachments. Your four attachments should be organized to contain the following (which may require you to merge documents such as publications):

- Cover letter and curriculum vitae
- Statement of research interests (maximum 2 pages)
- EDI statement (maximum 1 page)
- Names and contact information of three (3) references

Questions regarding this opportunity should be addressed to Dr Fiona Clement, Head, Department of Community Health Sciences by email (FClement@ucalgary.ca).

Application deadline: March 24, 2023

The University of Calgary has launched an institution-wide [Indigenous Strategy](#) in line with the foundational goals of [Eyes High](#), committing to creating a rich, vibrant, and culturally competent campus that welcomes and supports Indigenous Peoples, encourages Indigenous community partnerships, is inclusive of Indigenous perspectives in all that we do.

As an equitable and inclusive employer, the University of Calgary recognizes that a diverse staff/faculty benefits and enriches the work, learning and research experiences of the entire campus and greater community. We are committed to removing barriers that have been historically encountered by some people in our society. We strive to recruit individuals who will further enhance our diversity and will support their academic and professional success while they are here. In particular, we encourage members of the designated groups (women, Indigenous peoples, persons with disabilities, members of visible/racialized minorities, and diverse sexual orientation and gender identities) to apply. To ensure a fair and equitable assessment, we offer accommodation at any stage during the recruitment process to applicants with disabilities. Questions regarding [diversity] EDI at UCalgary can be sent to the [Office of Equity, Diversity and Inclusion](#) (equity@ucalgary.ca) and requests for accommodations can be sent to Human Resources (hrhire@ucalgary.ca).

All qualified candidates are encouraged to apply; however Canadians and permanent residents will be given priority. In this connection, at the time of your application, please answer the following question: Are you a Canadian citizen or a permanent resident of Canada? (Yes/No)

Posting Date: February 8, 2023

Closing Date: March 24, 2023

To learn more about academic opportunities at the University of Calgary and all we have to offer, view our [Academic Careers website](#). For more information visit [Careers in the Cumming School of Medicine](#).

The University strongly recommends all faculty and staff are fully vaccinated against COVID-19.

About the University of Calgary

Located in Canada's most enterprising city, the traditional territory of the peoples of Treaty 7 and Region 3 of the Métis Nation of Alberta, the University of Calgary (UCalgary) is a global and innovative intellectual hub for teaching and learning, research and scholarship, and community engagement. UCalgary ranks fifth among Canada's top research universities in Research Infosource Inc.'s latest Top 50 Research Universities list released on Jan. 25, 2022. UCalgary is the youngest university to have reached the top five.

UCalgary has more than 6,500 graduate students and 28,500 undergraduate students, more than 1,800 academic staff (continuing, contingent term or limited term appointment), more than 1,300 sessionals, and more than 3,200 non-academic staff, in 14 Faculties, across five campuses. The vibrant and research-intensive environment at UCalgary is home to 146 research chairs (75 Canada Research Chairs), and more than 50 research institutes and centres. UCalgary has the fastest growth rate in attracting research funding among the 10 largest universities in Canada.

The university's new Framework for Growth establishes principles and focus areas for the University of Calgary over the coming decade. It will ignite our entrepreneurial spirit to turn challenges into opportunities to improve the world around us. It will help to meet our academic and research ambitions and strengthen our community engagement in one of Canada's most diverse cities, whose exciting future is unfolding rapidly, and where scientific disciplines will play a major role. Built around three big ideas (transdisciplinary scholarship, integration with our community and future-focused program delivery), the Framework will distinguish the university and drive growth.

To learn more about this vision please see: <https://www.ucalgary.ca/president/growth>

About Calgary, Alberta

Calgary is one of the world's cleanest cities and has been named one of the world's most livable cities for years. Calgary is a city of leaders - in business, community, philanthropy and volunteerism. Calgarians benefit from a growing number of world-class dining and cultural events and enjoy more days of sunshine per year than any other major Canadian city. Calgary is less than an hour's drive from the majestic Rocky Mountains and boasts the most extensive urban pathway and bikeway network in North America.