



## **Canada Research Chair (Tier II), Neurodevelopmental Disabilities in Young Adults, Werklund School of Education**

The **Werklund School of Education** at the **University of Calgary** invites applications for a **Tier II Canada Research Chair (CRC) in Neurodevelopmental Disabilities in Young Adults**. The successful candidate will be appointed at the rank of **Assistant Professor (tenure-track) or Associate Professor (with tenure)** and will be nominated for a **CRC Tier II** position.

The successful candidate will hold a completed doctorate in Education or related discipline in an area of specialization relevant to the Chair. Preference will be given to candidates whose research focuses on targeted and integrated interventions and supports for emerging adults with neurodevelopmental disabilities to ensure a successful transition. The CRC will bring additional knowledge and solutions to systemic challenges that emerging adults face every day. This CRC, focused on emerging adults with neurodevelopment disabilities, will meet the CIHR goals of improving the health of the Canadian population specifically in developing a better understanding of social, cultural, educational, environmental, occupational and economic factors that influence the successful integration and transition of emerging adults in the workforce.

The CRC may involve conducting research on: 1) creating individualized supports integrating education and public health; 2) evaluating the effectiveness of a universal design for learning framework in post-secondary; 3) implementing innovative interventions that promote mental health and build independence (e.g., peer mentorship, self-advocacy); 4) implementing a transition program for individuals transitioning in and out of post-secondary education; and 5) providing scholarly support for teaching and learning interventions.

In addition to maintaining an active funded research program, the Chair also will be expected to supervise graduate students, teach undergraduate and/or graduate courses in their areas of specialization and demonstrate leadership in service, collaboration and mentorship within the University and the community. As well, the Chair will be expected to engage actively with the public and the media in matters related to the Chair.

Tier II Chairs are intended for exceptional emerging scholars (i.e., candidates must have been an active researcher in their field for fewer than 10 years at the time of nomination). Candidates who are more than 10 years from having earned their highest degree and who have had career breaks, such as maternity, parental, or extended sick leave, clinical training, and research interruptions due to the COVID-19 pandemic etc., may have their eligibility for a Tier II Chair assessed through the program's Tier II justification process. Please contact University of Calgary's Office of Research Services for more information: [ipd@ucalgary.ca](mailto:ipd@ucalgary.ca). Further information about the Canada Research Chairs Program can be found on the Government of Canada's [CRC website](#), including eligibility criteria.

The successful candidate at the **Assistant Professor** level must demonstrate evidence of a track record

of publications in high quality journals, securing external research funding, and effectiveness in teaching at the university level.

The successful candidate at the **Associate Professor** level must demonstrate evidence of a strong track record of publications in high quality journals, evidence of securing ongoing external research funding, effectiveness in teaching at the university level, and evidence of effective graduate student supervision.

The position provides an opportunity to establish a vigorous, sustainable, externally-funded research program in the area of neurodevelopmental disabilities, contribute to teaching and graduate student supervision, and participate in leadership of related research, education and service. This is an excellent opportunity to build and develop an innovative research program within a dynamic and collaborative environment. A competitive salary and an attractive start-up package will be provided.

The University of Calgary is Canada's leading next-generation university, and the Werklund School of Education is committed to helping achieve the University of Calgary's ambitious Eyes High vision of becoming a top five research-intensive university. The Werklund School of Education supports inter-professional and community-based enquiry from multiple perspectives in the generation and application of knowledge to social and individual change. Our goal is to be a national leader in knowledge creation and application of this knowledge to solve some of society's most pressing social issues.

The University of Calgary is committed to creating a rich, vibrant and culturally competent campus, one that welcomes and supports all learners.

**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, curriculum vitae and names and contact information of three (3) references
- Statement of research interests and a description of a proposed 5-year research plan for the Chair
- Copies of two peer reviewed, published scholarly articles
- Statement of teaching philosophy/teaching dossier

Closing date: March 28, 2022

For more information about the Werklund School of Education visit their [website](#).

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, and be sensitive to, the impact of career interruptions, when assessing the candidate's research productivity.

For more information on the Canada Research Chair program and eligibility requirements for Chairs, visit this [link](#). All Chairs are subject to review and final approval by the CRC Secretariat.

Questions about this position may be directed to:

Dr. Dianne Gereluk, Dean and Chair of the CRC Search Committee  
Werklund School of Education  
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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.

*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 equity-deserving groups (women, Indigenous Peoples, persons with disabilities, members of visible minorities and diverse sexual orientation and gender identities) to apply. All qualified candidates are encouraged to apply; however Canadians and permanent residents will be given priority. To ensure a fair and equitable assessment, we offer accommodation at any stage during the recruitment process to applicants with disabilities. Questions regarding diversity or requests for accommodation can be sent to Human Resources ([hrhire@ucalgary.ca](mailto:hrhire@ucalgary.ca)).*

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 about the Werklund School of Education visit **Careers in the Werklund School of Education**.

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

### **About the University of Calgary**

The University of Calgary is Canada's leading next-generation university – a living, growing and youthful institution that embraces change and opportunity with a can-do attitude. Located in the nation's most enterprising city, the university is making tremendous progress on its Eyes High journey to be recognized as one of Canada's top five research universities, grounded in innovative learning and teaching and fully integrated with the community it both serves and leads. The University of Calgary inspires and supports discovery, creativity and innovation across all disciplines. For more information, visit [ucalgary.ca](http://ucalgary.ca).

### **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.

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