Asper Fellowship in Media (Formerly the CanWest Global Fellowship) – Western University
Deadline for receipt of applications — April 30, 2016 or until position is filled.

The Faculty of Information and Media Studies (FIMS) at Western University invites applications for the Asper Fellowship in Media. The role of the Fellow is to promote public discussion of a range of issues related to the nature of Canadian media. The fellow is normally in residence for one term, to be negotiated: for the coming year, either September to December 2016 or January to April 2017. The successful applicant will receive a stipend of $20,000 which includes benefits for the term, and up to $10,000 to support research activities during the tenure of the fellowship. The amount available to support the fellow’s research will depend upon the scope of the proposed project and an approved budget, to be determined in consultation with the Dean and the FIMS Assistant Dean, Research.

During the term of the Fellowship, the Asper Fellow will teach one half course in his or her area of expertise in one of the Faculty’s programs and will be engaged in a significant media-related research project that will lead to public dissemination. We anticipate that this position will appeal either to visiting academics or to journalism/media practitioners who would value an opportunity to engage in teaching and scholarly reflection relating to some aspect of media. We also anticipate that the successful applicant will be a distinguished leader in the area of journalism/media studies who will use the opportunity of the Asper Fellowship to enrich teaching and scholarship in media at Western. Familiarity with political, economic, environmental, or business reporting, or newspaper editing would be considered an asset.

The Faculty of Information and Media Studies is a vibrant, expanding, interdisciplinary Faculty comprising some 40 full-time faculty members and 23 non-academic staff. It currently offers an undergraduate program in Media, Information and Technoculture (MIT) with an enrolment of more than 1,000 students, and graduate programs in Journalism and Communication, Media Studies, Popular Music and Culture, Library and Information Science, and Health Information Science. Information about the Faculty can be found at http://www.fims.uwo.ca. The Faculty of Information and Media Studies is one of twelve Faculties/Schools in Western University, a research intensive University of 24,000 full-time equivalent students.

Interested candidates are to complete a form available at: http://www.uwo.ca/facultyrelations/pdf/careers/Faculty/Application-FullTime-Faculty-Position-Form.pdf

and submit such with their curriculum vitae, sample publications, names and addresses of three references, and a cover letter outlining their interest in the position on or before April 30, 2016.

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Positions are subject to budget approval. Applicants should have fluent written and oral communication skills in English. All qualified candidates are encouraged to apply; however, Canadians and permanent residents will be given priority. Western University is committed to employment equity and diversity in the workplace and welcomes applications from all qualified individuals, including women, members of visible minorities, aboriginal persons, persons with disabilities and persons of any sexual orientation or gender identity.

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