



FACULTY of HEALTH SCIENCES
is seeking outstanding candidates for the
Canada Research Chair (Tier 1) in Activity and Aging

The Faculty of Health Sciences (FHS) at Western University invites applications for a Tier 1 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 30-year history of promoting physical activity and the well-being of older adults through a combination of basic and applied research, educational resources and community-based programs. In addition to leading a world-class multidisciplinary and collaborative research program in *Activity and Aging*, the Chair will play a central 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) and three other Tier 1 Canada Research Chairs (Musculoskeletal Rehabilitation, Integrative Physiology of Exercise and Health, and MSK Health Outcomes and Knowledge Translation).

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 and leadership 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 1 status of this position, the successful candidate will be assigned a workload where the majority is in research and research leadership, with smaller percentages in teaching, including mentoring students and early career researchers in aging research, and in service.

The successful candidate will be appointed at the rank of Professor or Associate Professor with Tenure in the appropriate [School within the Faculty of Health Sciences](#). Salary and rank are commensurate with qualifications and experience. The successful candidate will have a PhD or equivalent, have demonstrated excellence in research, a record of external research funding and research impact. The successful candidate will possess a demonstrated track record of leadership within multidisciplinary and collaborative research environments. Finally, the successful applicant will show evidence of contributing to equity, diversity and inclusion in academia. In accordance with the CRC (Tier 1) criteria, the successful candidate must be an outstanding and innovative researcher whose accomplishments have made a major impact in their field and will be nominated by Western University for the Tier 1 CRC in *Activity and Aging*.

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 Faculty is well-positioned as a progressive, multidisciplinary Faculty with core expertise in areas that will support the work of the successful candidate.

Western University delivers an academic experience second to none. Our research excellence expands knowledge and drives discovery with real-world application. Since 1878, The Western Experience has combined academic excellence with life-long opportunities for intellectual, social and cultural growth to better serve our communities. With a full-time enrolment of 32,000, Western University is a leading research-intensive university with a full-range of academic and professional programs. General information about Western can be found at <http://www.uwo.ca>. The university campus is in London (www.london.ca), a thriving city with a metropolitan census of 530,000 located midway between Toronto and Detroit. It is proximate to a number of other leading research institutions which provides additional collaborative opportunities.

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.

The anticipated start date of the appointment is **July 1, 2021**, or as negotiated. Applicants are required to complete the Application for Full-Time Faculty Position Form - available at <https://uwo.ca/facultyrelations/pdf/full-time-application-form.pdf>, along with (1) their curriculum vitae, (2) a cover letter of interest that includes a statement on Equity, Diversity and Inclusion in relation to your teaching and research, (3) a research statement outlining past and current research program contributions, and future plans (no more than five pages) with links to representative publications, and (4) names and contact information of **three** referees, as a **single PDF file** to:

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The review of applications will begin February 15, 2021 and will continue until the position is filled.

Please quote number HS-219 on all correspondence for this position.

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 in the workplace and welcomes applications from women, members of racialized groups/visible minorities, Indigenous peoples/Aboriginal persons, 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 Dr. S Jayne Garland, CRC (Tier 1) Activity and Aging Search Committee Chair and Dean, Faculty of Health Sciences at jgarland@uwo.ca 519-661-4239.

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