

**Continuous Teaching Scholar in Professional Communications,
Faculty of Information and Media Studies (FIMS)
University of Western Ontario**

The Faculty of Information and Media Studies (FIMS) at the University of Western Ontario invites applications for a Continuous Teaching Scholar (CTS) appointment at the rank of Assistant Professor in Professional Communications. CTS appointments at this rank will lead to consideration of continuing status and promotion to Associate Professor, TS at the end of the probationary period (normally 6 years). The position will begin July 1, 2021. The successful candidate will teach the equivalent of six half courses per academic year, will carry out assigned duties related to committee and other service within the Faculty (including student recruitment and admissions), and will engage in scholarship to broaden and deepen the Scholar's pedagogical expertise and/or contribute to the pedagogical development of the Faculty. Scholarship activities may include (but are not limited to) curriculum development and evaluation, presentations and publications on teaching or pedagogy, research into the efficacy of various pedagogical approaches, educational leadership, or other research on pedagogy. Preference will be given to candidates prepared to develop instruction, course materials, and student mentorship in Communications for a racially, ethnically, and culturally diverse population in Canada and beyond.

The successful candidate will hold a doctoral degree or its equivalent degree in Journalism and/or Communications (e.g. MAJ or MMJC); possess a strong record of professional experience in integrated communication; provide evidence of superior classroom teaching abilities in professional communications; and understand both the distinction and convergence of journalism and communications practice.

The successful candidate will teach primarily in the Master of Media in Journalism and Communications (MMJC) program at FIMS, instructing graduate students in classroom and studio environments in the practice and critical analysis of journalism and communications, digital marketing, content creation, integrated media, and media relations, among other topics. They will also be able to teach in the Faculty's undergraduate program in Media, Information and Technoculture (MIT) and undergraduate Digital Communications certificate.

Eligibility: Only current Members of the University of Western Ontario Faculty Association (UWOFA) holding a Limited Duties or Limited-Term position at the time of recruitment or former Members who held a Limited Duties or Limited-Term appointment at the time of ratification of the current Collective Agreement (29 November 2018) are eligible to apply.

The Faculty of Information and Media Studies (<https://www.fims.uwo.ca>) at Western University is dedicated to the advancement of knowledge about media, communications and information. We study technologies, systems, histories and practices to understand the role of media and information in democratic process and the social and cultural determinants of power and agency. Across our programs, we foster students' abilities to think critically and make interventions in our communities and lifeworlds. We intend this appointment to contribute to those capacities.

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.

Interested candidates must complete an application form available at: <http://www.uwo.ca/facultyrelations/pdf/careers/Faculty/Application-FullTime-Faculty-Position-Form.pdf> and submit the completed form along with their curriculum vitae, sample publications, names and contact information of three references, and a cover letter describing their teaching qualifications and pedagogic research interest by 23 May 2021.

Applications should be submitted electronically as a single .pdf file:

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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, 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 Lillianne Dang, Faculty Affairs Coordinator, Faculty of Information and Media Studies at ldang4@uwo.ca.

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