Canada 150 Research Chair in Indigenous Communities and Economic Development

The First Nations University of Canada (FNUniv) and the Faculty of Arts at the University of Regina (U of R) invite applications from international Indigenous scholars for the nomination of Canada 150 Research Chair in the area of Indigenous Communities and Economic Development. Indigenous scholars from Canada living and working abroad are encouraged to apply. The successful applicant will be an outstanding scholar as evidenced by an exceptional record of publications, scholarship, major awards, grants, and mentorship. The research area of Indigenous Communities and Economic Development is construed broadly; it includes Indigenous peoples’ perspectives on development; impacts of the global expansion and deepening of capitalist production and market relations on Indigenous communities and Indigenous communities’ responses to these impacts; Indigenous communities and resource-extractive industries; and Indigenous alternatives to the currently dominant free-market models of development.

Applicants must have a PhD in a relevant discipline at the time of application. The Chair will have a joint appointment in the First Nations University and the Faculty of Arts, University of Regina. Depending on the successful candidate’s particular specialization, the Chair will be based in a relevant academic department.

The FNUniv and U of R are home to a significant number of researchers who specialize in Indigenous research and research with Indigenous communities, both Canadian and international. Both institutions have built close relations with local Indigenous communities, which serve to facilitate Indigenous community-engaged research. FNUniv has one of the largest concentration of community-based Indigenous and allied researchers in Canada, in disciplines such as Indigenous Studies; Business and Public Administration; Education; Social Work; Languages and Linguistics; Health; and Fine Arts. As a fully Indigenous institution, FNUniv also has its own Elders’ Council and can provide culturally appropriate connections to traditional Indigenous Elders and Knowledge Keepers in communities. The U of R has Indigenization as one of its areas of emphasis under its 2015-2020 Strategic Plan, peyak aski kikawinaw (Together We Are Stronger). Over the past five years, the U of R has made the support of Indigenous research and teaching one of its highest priorities. Its Indigenization Office and Indigenous Advisory Circle play important roles in supporting Indigenous research and research on Indigenous issues. Both the U of R and FNUniv have national and international research networks with Indigenous and allied scholars through organizations such as the Canadian Indigenous and Native Studies Association, the Native American and Indigenous Studies Association, and the Consortium of North American Higher Education Collaboration. Thus, both Universities provide excellent infrastructure and institutional support for Indigenous researchers and research.

For more information on the Indigenous Communities and Economic Development opportunity in the Faculty of Arts and First Nations University of Canada (FNUniv) and to apply click here: https://urcareers.uregina.ca/applicants/Central?quickFind=62242