The University of Toronto Scarborough (UTSC) invites applications for a tenure-stream appointment in Health Humanities at the rank of Assistant Professor. The position will be held jointly in the Interdisciplinary Centre for Health and Society (ICHS) (49%) and in the Department of Anthropology (51%) and will commence on July 1, 2018.

We seek a Health/Medical Humanities scholar with research expertise and disciplinary training in critical approaches to disability studies, mental health, or race and/or racialization and health. Candidates must have a Ph.D. in a media studies discipline or a humanistic social science discipline, such as sociocultural anthropology, by the time of appointment or shortly thereafter. Candidates should be comfortable working in a highly interdisciplinary environment and should be able to convey to undergraduate students the importance of arts-, media- and/or humanities-based approaches to understanding human health. The successful candidate will contribute to the development of our exciting new undergraduate program in Health Humanities, the first of its kind in Canada. (http://www.utsc.utoronto.ca/labs/scope). The ability to contribute to one or more of the research strengths in the ICHS, such as Life Course and Health or Inequality and Health, is also desirable (https://www.utsc.utoronto.ca/healthstudies/).

The successful candidate will be expected to conduct innovative research at the highest international level and establish an outstanding, externally funded research program. They must have an emerging record of scholarly accomplishments. They will provide evidence of excellence in research as demonstrated by publications in leading academic journals or a research pipeline that is at a high international level, presentations at significant conferences, wide recognition for original forms of knowledge production, a strong record of external funding, and/or awards for work in the field of Health Humanities or a relevant discipline, and strong endorsements by referees of high international standing.

Applicants must demonstrate a commitment to excellence in teaching, where excellence can be demonstrated through teaching awards, strong course evaluations, innovative and engaging syllabi, strong endorsements from referees who can speak to the applicant’s teaching qualifications, and a teaching portfolio that includes a coherent statement of teaching philosophy that is linked to evidence of excellent pedagogical practice. Demonstrated excellence in other teaching-related activities, including performance as a teaching assistant or experience leading successful workshops or seminars, will also be of interest to the selection committee. The successful candidate will be expected to teach undergraduate courses at various levels, from introductory courses through upper-level courses in their area of expertise.

The ICHS is a growing academic unit whose faculty represent a wide range of disciplinary backgrounds and expertise. ICHS faculty have affiliations and research collaborations with a wide range of institutional centres at the University of Toronto, including the Faculty of Medicine, the Rehabilitation Sciences Institute, the Dalla Lana...
School of Public Health, and the Jackman Humanities Institute. The Department of Anthropology at UTSC is widely recognized for its excellence in research and teaching, and is home to the University of Toronto Centre for Ethnography (http://www.utsc.utoronto.ca/anthropology). The successful candidate will have a graduate appointment in one of the tri-campus graduate units most relevant to their area of scholarship.

Salary will be commensurate with qualifications and experience.

The appointment is at the University of Toronto Scarborough, which is a research-intensive institution with an interdisciplinary commitment, a multicultural student body, and a modern campus. The University of Toronto is ranked first in Canada and 11th in the world for research citations. As a growing three-campus university, we attract a diverse, scholarly and collegial group of faculty from top universities around the world. The University offers the opportunity to conduct research, teach, and live in one of the most diverse cities in the world.

All qualified candidates are invited to apply at https://utoronto.taleo.net/careersection/jobdetail.ftl?job=1702128. Applicants should submit a cover letter and a complete and current curriculum vitae, a statement outlining current and future research interests, one recent publication or another writing sample (such as a short conference paper or 10-15 pages of the dissertation), and a teaching portfolio. If you have questions about this position, please email ichs-director@utsc.utoronto.ca. All applications must be submitted online by the closing date of January 10, 2018.

Submission guidelines can be found at: http://uoft.me/how-to-apply. We recommend combining attached documents into one or two files in PDF/MS Word format.

Applicants should also arrange for three confidential letters of recommendation, including at least one primarily addressing the candidate’s teaching (to the attention of Prof. Holly Wardlow, Search Committee Chair, on letterhead, signed and scanned) to be sent directly by the referee to: ichs-ca@utsc.utoronto.ca

The University of Toronto is strongly committed to diversity within its community and especially welcomes applications from racialized persons / persons of colour, women, Indigenous / Aboriginal People of North America, persons with disabilities, LGBTQ persons, and others who may contribute to the further diversification of ideas.

As part of your application, you will be asked to complete a brief Diversity Survey. This survey is voluntary. Any information directly related to you is confidential and cannot be accessed by search committees or human resources staff. Results will be aggregated for institutional planning purposes. For more information, please see http://uoft.me/UP.

All qualified candidates are encouraged to apply; however, Canadians and permanent residents will be given priority.