Position Title/Rank: AssociateProfessor /Professor – Indigenous Politics (ID# 180381)

Faculty: Department of Political Science, University of Toronto Scarborough

Deadline: October 15, 2018

The University of Toronto Scarborough invites applications for a tenure-stream appointment in the field of Indigenous Politics. The primary appointment will be in the Department of Political Science (51%), with a cross appointment to the Centre for Critical Development Studies (49%). The appointment will be at the rank of Associate Professor or Professor and will commence on July 1, 2019.

Applicants must have earned a Ph.D. degree in Political Science or a related discipline. They must also have a demonstrated exceptional, sustained record of innovative and independent research and publications centered on Indigenous politics and/or governance. This position is part of the University of Toronto’s response to the calls to action in Canada’s Truth and Reconciliation Commission (TRC) Report. Preference will be given to Indigenous Peoples of North America or Peoples of Turtle Island, including those who identify as First Nations (status, non-status, treaty or non-treaty), Metis, Inuit, Alaskan Native, Native American, and Native Hawaiian Peoples.

We are seeking a scholar who is able to integrate Indigenous knowledge/Indigenous ways of knowing, as well as research and teaching methods, into the classroom. We are seeking candidates with a geographic focus on Canada but also welcome candidates who study Indigenous politics from a transnational and comparative perspective.

We seek candidates whose research and teaching interests complement and strengthen our existing departmental strengths. The successful candidate will be expected to sustain and lead innovative and independent research at the highest international level and to maintain an outstanding, competitive, and externally funded research program.
The successful candidate is expected to have a strong and established record of ethical engagement and collaboration with Indigenous communities and organizations, including with community leaders and Elders of at least one Indigenous community in Canada, and an understanding of the importance of consensus-building relationships.

The successful candidate will have an established record of excellence in both research and teaching. Excellence in research can be demonstrated by the ability to attract external research funding; a record of continuous impactful publications in top-ranked field-relevant peer reviewed academic journals and book publishers; a record of influential consultancies to governments, international organizations and/or Indigenous organizations; presentations at major conferences; distinguished awards and honours; and strong endorsements by referees of high standing, including a letter of support commenting on the candidate’s Indigenous community engagement. Excellence in teaching can be demonstrated by the teaching dossier outlining experience and accomplishments, the teaching statement, demonstrated knowledge and experience in Indigenous-based teaching methods, sample syllabi, course materials, course evaluations, and strong letters of reference.

Candidates should explain also include in their teaching dossier a one-page statement explaining how they can contribute to the delivery of the core curricula in Political Science (http://www.utsc.utoronto.ca/polisci/) and Critical Development Studies (http://www.utsc.utoronto.ca/ccds/). The position will include a graduate appointment in the Department of Political Science on the St. George campus of the University of Toronto. Candidates should also explain in their one-page statement how they can contribute to the development of the tri-campus graduate program (https://politics.utoronto.ca).

The appointment will be contingent upon a successful tenure review. Salary and rank will be commensurate with qualifications and experience.

The University of Toronto Scarborough is a research-intensive institution with an interdisciplinary commitment, a multicultural student body, and a modern campus. The University offers the opportunity to conduct research, teach, and live in one of the most diverse cities in the world. The Greater Toronto Area offers amazing cultural and demographic diversity, including a vibrant Indigenous community. UTSC has a strong commitment to increasing the presence of
Indigenous peoples and knowledge on campus, with steering committees examining campus wide responses to the calls to action in the TRC in terms of staff, faculty, research and teaching. Ongoing initiatives include Indigenous faculty and staff recruitment, an Indigenous curriculum committee, and grants for Indigenous research ethics education and community-based teaching development. Finally, the campus is designing a new building which will be a dedicated meeting space for Indigenous students, staff, faculty and elders.

All qualified applicants should apply by clicking https://utoronto.taleo.net/careersection/10050/jobdetail.ftl

A complete application must include: a cover letter, a curriculum vitae, an article-length (8000 – 10,000 word) writing sample, a statement up to five pages in length outlining current and future research interests, and a teaching dossier (to include teaching experience and accomplishments, the teaching statement, demonstrated knowledge and experience in Indigenous-based teaching methods, sample syllabi and course materials, and teaching evaluations, a one-page statement explaining how they can contribute to the delivery of the core curricula in Political Science and Critical Development Studies), as well as a letter of support commenting on the candidate’s Indigenous community engagement.

Questions about this position should be directed to Sue-Ann Hicks (sahicks@utsc.utoronto.ca)

All applications materials must be submitted online by the closing date of October 15, 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 list a minimum of three referees and arrange for these persons to submit their letter of recommendation (on letterhead, signed and scanned) directly to sahicks@utsc.utoronto.ca by the closing date.

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.
Candidates are asked, as part of their application, to complete a brief Diversity Survey. This survey is voluntary. Any information provided 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.