



Sociology

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**Assistant Professor – Sociology of Religion Req ID 26546**

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**Job Category: Assistant Professor – Tenure Stream Sociology of Religion**

**Faculty/Division: University of Toronto Scarborough**

**Department: Sociology**

The Department of Sociology at the University of Toronto Scarborough (UTSC) invites applications for a full-time tenure-stream position in the area of Sociology of Religion. The appointment will be at the rank of Assistant Professor, with an expected start date of July 1, 2023, or shortly thereafter.

The University of Toronto Scarborough is implementing a new Strategic Plan: [Inspiring Inclusive Excellence](#). Consistent with the values and objectives in that plan, we especially welcome candidates who self-identify as Indigenous or those who have lived experience in Black or other racialized (persons of colour) communities. This position is part of a cohort of similar faculty searches in Arts, Culture & Media, Biological Sciences, Health & Society, Historical & Cultural Studies, Language Studies, Political Science, and Management. New colleagues will have the opportunity to be connected with previous cohorts of faculty from under-represented groups, including those hired through targeted efforts in the last three years in departments spanning the Sciences, Social Sciences, and Humanities.

Applicants must have earned a PhD in sociology or a closely related area by the time of appointment, or shortly thereafter, with a demonstrated record of excellence in research and teaching. We seek candidates with research and teaching interests in the sociology of religion.

The successful candidate will be expected to pursue innovative and independent research at the highest international level and to establish an outstanding, competitive, and externally funded research program. Candidates must provide evidence of research excellence which can be demonstrated by a record of publications in top-ranked and field relevant journals or forthcoming publications meeting high international standards, the submitted research statement, presentations at significant conferences, awards and accolades, and strong endorsements from referees of high standing.

Evidence of excellence in teaching will be provided through teaching accomplishments, the teaching dossier (with required materials outlined below) submitted as part of the application, as well as strong letters of reference.

Candidates must also provide evidence of a commitment to equity, diversity, inclusion, and the promotion of a respectful and collegial learning and working environment, as demonstrated through the application materials.

Salary will be commensurate with qualifications and experience.

The appointment is at the University of Toronto Scarborough, which is a research-intensive campus with an interdisciplinary commitment, a multicultural student body, and a modern campus. Set in the beautiful Highland Creek Valley of one of the most vibrant and multicultural cities in the world, U of T Scarborough is home to over 1,000 faculty and staff and more than 14,000 students in undergraduate and graduate programs across 16 academic departments, representing the humanities, social sciences, and natural sciences. The successful candidate will teach in the undergraduate program in the [Department of Sociology](#) at the University of Toronto Scarborough. They will also be a member of the tri-campus [Graduate Department of Sociology](#). The successful

candidate will join a vibrant intellectual community of world-class scholars at Canada's leading university.

All qualified candidates are invited to apply online by clicking the link below. Applicants must submit a cover letter; a current curriculum vitae; a research statement outlining current and future research interests; a recent writing sample; and a teaching dossier to include a strong teaching statement, sample syllabi and course materials, and teaching evaluations. Equity and diversity are essential to academic excellence. We seek candidates who value diversity and whose research, teaching and service bear out our commitment to equity. Candidates are therefore also asked to submit a 1- to 2-page statement of contributions to equity and diversity, which might cover topics such as (but not limited to): research or teaching that incorporates a focus on underrepresented communities, the development of inclusive pedagogies, or the mentoring of students from underrepresented groups.

Applicants must provide the name and contact information of three references. At least one reference must primarily address the candidate's teaching. The University of Toronto's recruiting tool will automatically solicit and collect letters of reference from each once an application is submitted (this happens overnight). Applicants, however, remain responsible for ensuring that references submit letters (on letterhead, dated and signed) by the closing date.

Submission guidelines can be found at <http://uoft.me/how-to-apply>. Your CV and cover letter should be uploaded into the dedicated fields. Please combine additional application materials into one or two files in PDF/MS Word format. If you have any questions about this position, please contact Professor Joe Hermer at [j.hermer@utoronto.ca](mailto:j.hermer@utoronto.ca).

All application materials, including reference letters, must be received by November 28, 2022.

To apply online click

<https://jobs.utoronto.ca/job/Toronto-Assistant-Professor-Sociology-of-Religion-ON/563753017/>

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

### **Diversity Statement**

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, LGBTQ2S+ 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>.

### **Accessibility Statement**

The University strives to be an equitable and inclusive community, and proactively seeks to increase diversity among its community members. Our values regarding equity and diversity are linked with our unwavering commitment to excellence in the pursuit of our academic mission.

The University is committed to the principles of the Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act (AODA). As such, we strive to make our recruitment, assessment and selection processes as accessible as possible and provide accommodations as required for applicants with disabilities.

If you require any accommodations at any point during the application and hiring process, please contact [uoft.careers@utoronto.ca](mailto:uoft.careers@utoronto.ca).

