

Department of History
Canada Research Chair (Tier 2) in Indigenous History of North America

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Deadline to Apply: July 15, 2019

The Department of History, Faculty of Liberal Arts & Professional Studies, at York University invites applications from outstanding scholars who specialize in the Indigenous History of North America for appointment at the rank of Assistant Professor or Associate Professor. This position, a Canada Research Chair at the Tier 2 level, is contingent upon acceptance by the Canada Research Chairs program in Ottawa (<http://www.chairs-chaire.gc.ca/>). The start date is January 1, 2020, or as soon as possible thereafter.

Embracing the recommendations of the Truth and Reconciliation Commission, and with a commitment on the part of York University to engage with Indigenous communities both within and outside the University as part of a new University-wide Indigenous Framework, the position is open only to persons who self-identify as Indigenous Peoples of North America -- that is, who identify as First Nations (status, non-status, treaty or non-treaty), Métis, Inuit, Alaskan Native, and Native American. This position expresses York University's commitment to hiring Indigenous faculty and conforms to the Special Programs provisions under the Ontario Human Rights Code.

York University is located on the traditional territory of many Indigenous Nations. It sits on lands long care taken by the Anishinabek Nation, the Haudenosaunee Confederacy, the Huron-Wendat, and the Métis, and now home to many Indigenous Peoples. York University is committed to working directly with Indigenous communities as they move forward in health, sovereignty, justice, and equity.

Research specialization and periodization are open with the area of scholarship focused on North America (being defined as extending from Panama north to the Arctic, including Greenland and Hawaii but excluding the Caribbean). The successful candidate will join the growing number of scholars at the Faculty of Liberal Arts & Professional Studies who possess research and teaching expertise in Indigenous issues.

The ideal candidate will be an emerging world-class researcher who has already demonstrated creativity in research and shown potential to achieve international recognition in the next five to ten years. The successful candidate will have a PhD in History or related field by October 15, 2019, will have demonstrated excellence or its promise in both teaching and research, and will have produced publications at a level befitting their career stage. Preference will be given to those who have the potential to obtain peer-reviewed external research funding, to attract, develop, and supervise graduate students and postdoctoral fellows, to participate in the graduate program as soon as possible, and to contribute to curricular development at all academic levels.

The Canada Research Chairs (CRC) program seeks to attract outstanding researchers for careers at Canadian universities. Tier 2 Chairs are intended for exceptional emerging scholars (i.e., who, at the time of nomination, are within 10 years of attaining their highest degree, with consideration for career breaks) who have the acknowledged potential to lead their field of research. Appointment to a Tier 2 Chair is for five years, is renewable once, and comes with enhanced research support from the program. Applicants who are more than 10 years from their highest degree (and where career breaks exist, including maternity leave, extended sick leave, clinical training, etc.) may have their eligibility for a Tier 2 Canada Research Chair assessed through the program's [Tier 2 justification process](#). Please see the CRC website (<http://www.chairs-chaire.gc.ca/>) for further eligibility details.

The deadline for receipt of completed applications is **July 15, 2019**. Salary will be commensurate with qualifications and experience. All York University positions are subject to budgetary approval.

Candidates should submit a signed letter of application, an up-to-date curriculum vitae, a research and research leadership plan, and a sample publication, and arrange to have three signed letters of reference sent directly to:

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Email: chairhis@yorku.ca – (Subject line: “CRC Tier 2”)

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Applicants wishing to self-identify can do so by downloading, completing and submitting the forms found at: <http://acadjobs.info.yorku.ca/>. Please select the Affirmative Action tab under which forms pertaining to Citizenship and AA can be found.