Department of Sociology

Canada Research Chair (Tier 2) in Socially Engaged Research in Race and Racialization

The Department of Sociology seeks applicants for a tenure-track appointment at the Assistant Professor or Associate Professor rank to be nominated for a Tier 2 Canada Research Chair (CRC) in the study of Socially Engaged Research in Race and Racialization. The successful candidate will have a PhD in Sociology or related discipline and will be an emerging world-class researcher with demonstrated potential for leadership and the achievement of international recognition in the study of the development and mobilization of critical race theory with local and/or global communities. The candidate is expected to provide leadership at the departmental and institutional levels and have the potential to attract significant research funding and graduate students. The successful candidate will have demonstrated excellence or promise of excellence in teaching and scholarly research and shall be eligible for prompt appointment to the Faculty of Graduate Studies.

The successful candidate will have a strong record of theoretical innovation, and evidence of excellence in the understanding of how new knowledge about race and racialization is developed with, and connected to, community agencies and/or policy organizations. The candidate is expected to propose an original and innovative research program in the epistemological and socio-historical dimensions of race, racialization and racial orders, grounded in contemporary social theory that interrogates questions of knowledge production and knowledge use that affect historical or contemporary racialized social formations.

York's Department of Sociology is a large, highly productive and innovative community of scholars engaged in interdisciplinary research and undergraduate and graduate teaching. The department's contribution to the world of sociological thought and research is to offer our students a sociology of engagement; a critical approach to scholarship that challenges assumptions, and in so doing, aims for greater social justice and an appreciation that history - our own and that of others around the world - has a lasting impact on the present. This commitment is evident in our faculty members' local and international work with communities and organizations, and in the public recognition of our faculty as experts in their respective fields. Our faculty members are passionately involved in innovative and meaningful research that addresses vital social issues of our time.

Established by the Government of Canada, the Canada Research Chairs (CRC) program seeks to attract outstanding researchers to Canadian universities. The Tier 2 CRC is for candidates who
are within 10 years of having completed their PhD, emerging world-class researchers, acknowledged by their peers as having the potential to lead in their field, and having demonstrated the potential to achieve international recognition and attract students and trainees. The awards have 5 year terms and are renewable once. Appointments to these Canada Research Chair positions are subject to review and approval by the Canada Research Chairs Secretariat. Complete details about the CRC program can be found on the CRC website at www.chairs-chaires.gc.ca/.

The start date for this position is July 1, 2015. Salaries will be commensurate with qualifications and experience. All York University positions are subject to budgetary approval. The deadline for applications is December 11, 2014.

Candidates should submit a signed letter of application, an up-to-date curriculum vitae and a statement of teaching and research interests including a research plan. Candidates should also submit three publications (at least one of which has sole authorship), evidence of teaching excellence, and arrange for three signed letters of reference to be sent directly to:

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