



Canada Research Chair (Tier 2) in Creative Technology

NSCAD University invites applications for a replacement Tier 2 Canada Research Chair in Creative Technology.

NSCAD University is in Mi'kma'ki, on the ancestral and unceded territory of the Mi'kmaq Nation. NSCAD University has committed to reconciliation and to establishing respectful ongoing relationships with Indigenous peoples.

We seek an innovative world-class researcher whose accomplishments have made a major impact in area of media arts. We encourage applications from outstanding and innovative researchers who work in arts-based research, studio-based methodologies, historical and theoretical scholarship, and who also have a demonstrated commitment to equity and decolonization in their work and research.

The candidate will hold knowledge and expertise in one or several of the following research areas: physical computing, interactive media, cyber feminisms, indigenous or afrofuturisms, liberation technology, immersive experience, artificial intelligence & machine learning, artificial life, data politics, experimental animation, sound art, gaming, mediated performance, experimental animation or digital storytelling.

NSCAD's research is driven by the goal to be a leader in in four distinct areas: Visual and Cultural Literacies, Sustainability and Adaptability, Material Exploration, and Art/Design Education and Pedagogy with reimagined Infrastructure underpinning those themes. We commit to supporting research centres, institutes, networks, and clusters, including those well-established, emerging, or proposed, as a way to support interdisciplinary collaboration.

This Canada Research Chair Tier 2 is broadly interdisciplinary, welcoming the opportunity for interdisciplinary research throughout the school and through interdisciplinary practices beyond the arts.

We seek an accomplished colleague who will join us in this journey of respectful engagement in developing research directly relevant to and in relationship with communities, and in leading the university in exciting new directions in relation to arts practice and scholarship.

Through an outstanding, ongoing program of research and graduate training, the Chair will contribute to *NSCAD's Academic Plan: Towards 2020*.

Requirements

The successful candidate will:

- Be a world-class researcher in the field
- Have an active, original, innovative program of high quality, research and a vision for its future directions
- Have research that is responsive to and respectful of the needs of communities and students
- Contribute positively to the respectful and inclusive culture at NSCAD University
- Demonstrate excellence in teaching and graduate supervision
- Have earned a PhD in a relevant discipline

Consistent with Tier 2 CRC criteria, the selection committee will evaluate candidates based on their: 1) potential as leaders in their fields; 2) original, innovative proposed research program of the highest quality; 3) record of attracting and supervising graduate students and mentoring scholars; and 4) track record related to increasing diversity in their previous institutional environment, and in curriculum.

Tier 2 Chairs are intended for exceptional emerging scholars (i.e., candidates must have been an active researcher in their field for fewer than 10 years at the time of nomination). Applicants who are more than 10 years from having earned their highest degree (and where career breaks exist, such as maternity, parental or extended sick leave, clinical training, etc.) may have their eligibility for a Tier 2 Chair assessed through the program's Tier 2 justification process. Please contact the research grants office for more information.

Additional information

Faculty and Librarians at the NSCAD are governed by the provisions of the Collective Agreement (FUNSCAD Unit 1). The successful applicant will be nominated by NSCAD University for a Tier 2 Canada Research Chair and, upon approval of the Chair by the CRC Secretariat, will then be offered a limited-term appointment at the rank of Assistant Professor at the University (step and rank will be determined as per the evaluation policy). The anticipated start date for this position is January 1, 2020.

Application materials should include:

- A cover letter providing an overview of the candidate's qualifications and how they fulfill the above-listed criteria
- A curriculum vitae and a two-page statement outlining the innovative and original proposed research program envisioned for the Tier 2 chairship and its potential to attract funding, contribute to student training, and have vital impact.
- A teaching statement or dossier that documents the applicant's experience in and approach to training and mentoring diverse students, and teaching effectiveness, with an emphasis on experiences at the graduate level
- Contact information for at least three referees

Please submit your application as attachments to an e-mail sent to: abgraff@nscad.ca. Questions regarding the position can be addressed to Dr. Ann-Barbara Graff, Vice-President (Academic & Research) at the above e-mail address.

Application Deadline:

September 1, 2019 @ 4pm (AST)

Equity, Diversity and Inclusion Statement:

Applications from non-Canadians are welcome but in accordance with Canadian Immigration requirements, Canadians and permanent residents will be given priority. In accordance with the CRC statement on Equity, Diversity and Inclusion, NSCAD University invites and encourages applications from all qualified individuals, including individuals within the employment equity categories of women, persons with disabilities, members of visible minorities, aboriginal persons, individuals of diverse gender and sexual orientation and all groups protected by the Human Rights Code. We encourage members of equity- and diversity-seeking groups to self-identify within their letter of intent in their application.

NSCAD University recognizes the legitimate impact that leaves (maternity leave, leave due to illness) can have on a candidate's record of research achievement and that these leaves will be taken into consideration during the assessment process.

Ashley Lorette (humanresources@nscad.ca), the Director of Human Resources, can address requests for accommodations (to accommodate candidates with hearing impairments, mobility restrictions, etc.).