

## **Faculty of Education**

### **TENURE TRACK POSITION IN INDIGENOUS EDUCATION**

The Faculty of Education, Simon Fraser University, seeks applications for a tenure-track position in Indigenous Education at the Assistant Professor rank beginning September 1, 2020. Located on the traditional, unceded, and occupied territories of the Coast Salish peoples, SFU has campuses in Burnaby, Surrey, and Vancouver. The Faculty of Education's strategic plan aims to embody the core values of Equity, Indigeneity, and a Culture of Inquiry in its programs, policies, and practices – <http://www.sfu.ca/education/about/the-5-year-academic-plan.html>

Candidates must possess, or be on the verge of obtaining a doctoral degree in education and have substantial experience in public school teaching (K-12) and/or post-secondary expertise working with pre-service and in-service teachers. Candidates should be knowledgeable of and confident teaching critical issues of race and racism, identity, and systemic social inequalities in Aboriginal education. As well, candidates should have experience and expertise in advancing projects that address Indigenous educational needs in critical areas. Examples of such critical areas include decolonizing teacher education, language revitalization, Indigenous resurgence, and self-determination, Indigenous knowledges and traditions, which may include science and mathematics education; basic and advanced literacy. Candidates should provide evidence of their research or potential to develop a program of research in one or more such areas.

The successful candidate will be expected to help develop the Faculty's capacity to fulfill and surpass the Teacher Regulation Branch (TRB) mandate that requires every pre-service teacher in BC take a course or course equivalent pertaining to "First Nations pedagogy and issues related to the historical and current context of First Nations, Inuit and Métis learners," as per Policy P5.C.03.1 of the TRB. This will require close collaboration with the large and diverse team of educators involved in the Faculty's Professional Development Program and the Indigenous Education Reconciliation Council (IERC), and Office of Indigenous Education. Familiarity and experience with methodologies of teacher-led inquiry will be an asset. They will have a demonstrated knowledge of and accomplishment in Indigenous Education, Indigenous research methodologies, interdisciplinary innovation, and community engagement. Ideally, they will have a demonstrable history of community involvement, and an Indigenous lived experience including working with First Nations, Inuit or Métis communities and organizations in North America/Turtle Island.

Located in the Greater Vancouver area on the unceded traditional ancestral territories of the Coast Salish peoples, SFU's Faculty of Education (<http://www.sfu.ca/education.html>) is committed to scholarly excellence, leading-edge pedagogy, innovative curriculum,

engagement with teachers, and an inclusive culture that honours reconciliation and indigenous resurgence.

We seek candidates who are able to contribute in these areas and have interests in education across disciplinary boundaries, in keeping with the non-departmental organization of the Faculty. SFU is a university that serves students of diverse ethnic, cultural, linguistic and international origins. Therefore, interest and/or experience in working in multicultural and international settings with students of diverse backgrounds is a desired attribute of all applicants.

Applicants are asked to email separate files (Word or PDF) to [educ\\_appointments@sfu.ca](mailto:educ_appointments@sfu.ca):

1. A signed application letter that includes a description of the applicant's scholarly interests, research plans and achievements to date, teaching experience, and potential contributions to the faculty, as well as names and contact information of three referees. (If unable to send an application letter with a scanned signature, a signed original should be mailed to: Dr. Natalia Gajdamaschko, Chair, Appointments Committee, Faculty of Education, Simon Fraser University, 8888 University Drive, Burnaby, BC, Canada, V5A 1S6.)
2. A current curriculum vitae; and
3. A scholarly paper.

**Deadline for applications is February 13, 2020.**

Only short-listed candidates will be contacted. Please do not ask referees to send letters of reference; they will be contacted directly as needed. All qualified candidates are encouraged to apply; however, Canadians and permanent residents will be given priority. SFU is an equity employer and encourages applications from all qualified individuals including Indigenous peoples, women, persons with disabilities, visible minorities, people of all sexual orientations and gender identities, and others who may contribute to the further diversification of the university. The position is subject to availability of funding and final approval by the SFU Board of Governors. Under the authority of the University Act personal information that is required by the University for academic appointment competitions will be collected. For further details see:

[http://www.sfu.ca/vpacademic/faculty\\_openings/collection\\_notice.html](http://www.sfu.ca/vpacademic/faculty_openings/collection_notice.html)