Tier I Canada Research Chair
in
Human Capital and Productivity
The University of Western Ontario

The Departments of Economics at The University of Western Ontario invites applications from both Canadian and international candidates for a Tier I Canada Research Chair in the area of Human Capital and Productivity, at the rank of Full Professor or tenured Associate Professor, as qualifications and experience warrant, with a starting date of July 1, 2015 or later.

In accordance with the regulations set for Tier I Canada Research Chairs (http://www.chairs-chaires.gc.ca/), the successful candidate will be an outstanding and innovative researcher whose accomplishments have made a major impact in their field; be recognized internationally as a leader in their field; and have a superior record of attracting and supervising graduate students. The candidate must propose an original and innovative research program that will attract external funding and excellent trainees, graduate students and future researchers. The candidate will work with the Faculty of Social Science and the Office of Research Services to develop a proposal to be submitted with the Chair nomination to the CRC Secretariat in 2014.

Western’s Department of Economics (www.economics.uwo.ca) has a long-standing reputation as a leading research department in Canada. It has an internationally renowned group of economists who work on research related to human capital and productivity. This includes work on human capital investment, post-secondary education financing; the determinants and measurement of firm productivity; the relationship between trade and productivity; the role of innovation in determining productivity; the social benefits of human capital; and the role of human capital in development and growth. Members of this research area contribute to and are supported by the Department’s CIBC Centre for Human Capital and Productivity (economics.uwo.ca/cibc) which has a mandate to support and disseminate research in these areas. We are seeking a scholar who will complement and/or expand on this departmental strength.

We encourage applicants from a diverse set of fields within economics who are researching issues related to human capital and productivity including labour economics, industrial organization, macroeconomics, growth, international trade, economics of education, immigration, and development economics. The candidate will play an important role in the CIBC Centre for Human Capital and Productivity enhancing not only the academic profile of the CIBC Centre through research dissemination, but also its outreach and hence its reputation in private industry and public policy circles. The candidate will also play a role in the graduate and undergraduate programs in Economics including course development, supervision and/or administration. The ideal candidate will have an established, internationally recognized research program, and bring leadership qualities that will enhance the established strengths in the Department of Economics.

Review of applications will commence on April 30, 2014 and will continue until the position is filled. Candidates should submit a covering letter, a detailed curriculum vitae, a research plan, evidence of teaching success, a current working paper, and up to three refereed publications. The applicant must also arrange for at least three letters of reference to be sent to:

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Positions are subject to budget approval. Applicants should have fluent written and oral communication skills in English. All qualified candidates are encouraged to apply; however, Canadians and permanent residents will be given priority. The University of Western Ontario is committed to employment equity and welcomes applications from all qualified women and men, including visible minorities, Aboriginal people and persons with disabilities.