



BC Leadership Chair in Aboriginal Health

The University of Northern British Columbia (UNBC) invites applications and nominations for the Dr. Donald Rix BC Leadership Chair in Aboriginal Health.

UNBC, one of Canada's premier small research-intensive universities, serves a vast area whose people are closely tied to the land and the natural resources that are the foundation of the region's economy. Health status and outcomes in our region are the poorest in the province, especially so for Aboriginal peoples. The successful candidate will provide leadership within a rapidly growing health research team at UNBC, and play a key role in furthering UNBC's objective to be internationally recognized in Northern, rural, and environmental health research, and in First Nations and Indigenous Studies, areas of great relevance both to our region and beyond. A focus on Aboriginal Environmental Health is preferred.

The BC Government launched the BC Leadership Chair program, via the Leading Edge Endowment Fund, with the objectives of attracting world-class researchers to British Columbia, and strengthening BC as a center of research excellence (see <http://www.leefbc.ca/>). Thus, this endowed chair is available to an internationally renowned researcher at the Full Professor or senior Associate Professor level. The successful candidate will have an academic appointment in the Health Sciences Program and potentially with the Northern Medical Program. S/he will be expected to attract significant research funding and collaborators, and actively engage in the training of future researchers.

UNBC offers a number of health related degrees at the undergraduate and graduate level, including an interdisciplinary PhD in Health Sciences. Its Canada Research Chairs include a CRC in Health, Ecosystems and Society. UNBC hosts the National Collaborating Centre for Aboriginal Health (<http://www.nccah-ccnsa.ca>). For more information, see <http://www.unbc.ca>. UNBC's recently updated University Plan is available at: http://issuu.com/unbc/docs/university_plan, and its Strategic Research Plan is available at: <http://www.unbc.ca/research/about/plan.html>.

Applicants should provide:

- 1) a curriculum vitae that outlines academic, research, professional and/or industrial experience and primary area of expertise;
- 2) a list of the five most significant contributions to research you have made during your career (explain the significance to the field);
- 3) a list of all research contributions in the last five years, explaining any significant periods of interruption;

- 4) evidence of international leadership in a relevant area of research focus or discipline;
- 5) a description of your track record in the training of graduate students and postdoctoral fellows (if relevant);
- 6) a description of other activities that show the impact of your work, such as awards, consulting, contributions to professional practice or public policy; and memberships on committees, boards or policy-making bodies; and
- 7) research support information which includes a list of sources of support over the last five years held or currently applied for, either as an applicant or co-applicant; and a list of grants and contracts from all sources, including industry and academic research institutions. Please list the information required for point 7) under the following headings: Support currently held; Support applied for in the last five years; and Support held in the last five years. Include project titles, funding source and program, amount per year and years of tenure.
- 8) a list of 5 references, with complete contact information (email and mailing address).

UNBC is strongly committed to diversity, and invites applications from women, visible minorities, Aboriginal persons, persons with disabilities, and persons of any sexual orientation and gender identity. All qualified candidates are encouraged to apply. Canadians and permanent residents will be given priority.

Please forward your application quoting competition **#FABCL14-11** to: The Office of the Provost, University of Northern British Columbia, 3333 University Way, Prince George, B.C., V2N 4Z9. Fax: (250) 960-5791. Please direct inquiries to: Dr. Gail Fondahl, Vice President Research, at Telephone (250) 960-5820, Email <fondahlg@unbc.ca>. This position is being advertised subject to budgetary approval. Electronic submissions of CVs can be forwarded to: ***FacultyRecruitment@unbc.ca***.

***Review of applications will begin on October 28, 2011;
however applications will be accepted until the position is filled.***