



THE UNIVERSITY OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

Faculty of Education

## MYRNE B. NEVISON PROFESSORSHIP IN COUNSELLING PSYCHOLOGY

The Faculty of Education invites applications for the **Myrne B. Nevison Professorship in Counselling Psychology**. We seek applications that articulate a clear vision for achieving demonstrable impact in Education through advancement of knowledge and improvement in practice. In line with our commitment to honoring the intent of donors whose generous gifts establish professorships, the recipient of this Professorship is charged with the following mandate:

- Engage in applied research in Counselling Psychology. The Professorship has a particular focus on applied research to support the advancement and understanding of preventive approaches in counselling for marginalized and at-risk youth. Research will be aimed at developing and/or evaluating interventions related to the early identification, assessment, treatment and ongoing evaluation of marginalized and at-risk populations and identifying factors associated with best outcomes.
- Advance program development, utilizing a lifespan perspective and focusing on at-risk and marginalized populations, to contribute to the development of preventive approaches within the discipline of counselling psychology that could lead to larger systemic and social change.
- Cultivate outreach initiatives provincially, nationally, and/or internationally.
- Provide leadership and contribute to building professional capacity through support and mentorship of graduate students in the context of the Professorship.

### Eligibility to apply:

- This Professorship is open to all **tenured** UBC faculty members who have a full-time and active appointment at the rank of **Associate Professor or Professor** at the time of the posting.
- Faculty members who have a signed retirement agreement with a retirement date within the next five years are not eligible.

### Materials to be included in the application package:

- i. Cover Letter (2 page max.)
- ii. Curriculum Vitae
- iii. Vision Statement (1500 words max.)
  - Please outline your vision for a five-year term as incumbent of the Professorship, indicating how you would implement the mandate described above, and how you would assess the impact of the proposed Professorship activities and initiatives.
- iv. Two letters of reference:
  - One or two letters from university affiliated faculty members external to the UBC Faculty of Education;
  - One letter may come from a community member with whom the applicant is engaged on issues relevant to this Professorship.

### Criteria for the Search Committee's evaluation, to be evidenced in the cover letter, curriculum vitae, or vision statement will include:

- Excellence and impact of research and scholarship;
- Record of research and programmatic activity relevant to the mandate of the Professorship;
- Evidence of engagement in applied research in Counselling Psychology;

- Evidence of effective student research mentorship; and
- Program of research and community track record that contributes to Social Justice and Inclusion in the academic discipline and also, strategic priorities in the Faculty of Education and UBC.
- Alignment of the vision statement to the mandate of the Professorship, including:
  - A focus on applied research to support the advancement and understanding of preventive approaches in counselling for marginalized and at-risk youth;
  - A clear and attainable 5-year plan to advance program development, utilizing a lifespan perspective and focusing on at-risk and marginalized populations, to contribute to the development of preventive approaches within the discipline of counselling psychology that could lead to larger systemic and social change;
  - Evidence of, or a plan to, cultivate outreach initiatives provincially, nationally, and/or internationally;
  - Evidence of leadership and a plan to contribute to building professional capacity through support and mentorship of graduate students in the context of the Professorship;
  - A plan for how to assess the impact of the proposed Professorship activities and initiatives.

Letters of reference will be used to evaluate the excellence and impact of the applicant's applied research and scholarship and potential for achieving the mandate of this Professorship.

Each short-listed candidate will take part in a 20 minute presentation and 40 minute discussion (Question & Answer) session with the Faculty of Education community. Prior to this meeting, the candidate's curriculum vitae and vision statement will be made available within the Faculty of Education. After the presentation and discussion session, the candidate will participate in an individual interview with the committee.

#### **Terms of the Professorship:**

1. The Professorship will be awarded to the successful candidate for a **five-year term**; at the end of the term, the incumbent may apply for reappointment as part of an open search.
2. The Professorship will provide financial support of **\$30,000 per year**, to be directed to research activities, research assistant support, and programmatic initiatives. With approval, funds can be used for research course release. Release of funds is contingent on acceptance of a proposed Year One budget for Professorship activities.
3. Implementation and oversight of the Professorship, with respect to budget review and annual reporting, will be guided by the Office of Research, as well as by Development Office requirements for annual reports to donors who fund the Professorship.

The appointment will be effective **February 1, 2019**, or as soon as the position is filled. The position is subject to budgetary approval. Consideration of candidates will begin on **December 5, 2018** and will continue until the position is filled. To ensure full consideration, please submit application materials by **December 5, 2018**. The start date is subject to final arrangement with the appointee. Questions regarding this Professorship and its search should be directed to Dr. Anita Hubley, Chair of the Search Committee, at [anita.hubley@ubc.ca](mailto:anita.hubley@ubc.ca).

All applications must be submitted electronically in the format of a single, bookmarked PDF file to: **Dr. Blye Frank, Dean of Education**, at [assist.sradean@ubc.ca](mailto:assist.sradean@ubc.ca).

*Equity and diversity are essential to academic excellence. An open and diverse community fosters the inclusion of voices that have been underrepresented or discouraged. We encourage applications from members of groups that have been marginalized on any grounds enumerated under the B.C. Human Rights Code, including sex, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, racialization, disability, political belief, religion, marital or family status, age, and/or status as a First Nation, Metis, Inuit, or Indigenous person. All qualified candidates are encouraged to apply; however, Canadians and permanent residents will be given priority.*