

Canada Research Chair (Tier 2) in Plant-based Foods for Nutrition and Health (req4637)

The University of Saskatchewan values diversity, and Indigenous engagement is a strategic priority.

Department: College of Pharmacy & Nutrition

Location: Saskatoon

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The College of Pharmacy and Nutrition at the University of Saskatchewan invites applications for a tenured or tenure-track Tier 2 Canada Research Chair in Plant-based Foods for Nutrition and Health. The Canada Research Chair (CRC) Program is the flagship of a national strategy to make Canada one of the world's top countries in research and development (www.chairs-chaires.gc.ca).

The successful candidate will lead an innovative program of research that responds to concerns about global diet trends and need for sustainable sources of protein and nutrient-dense foods to address the persistent problems of malnutrition, e.g., undernutrition, micronutrient deficiency, obesity, and diet-related diseases. The chair's work will be of interest to multiple disciplines, sectors, and organizations and contribute to building research collaborations and partnerships locally, nationally, and internationally.

Canada is a world leader in food crop production and the University of Saskatchewan is at the heart of plant-based food research and development. The university is a vital research partner in a regional supercluster of agricultural and food science expertise and cutting-edge technology in plant breeding and value-added protein and co-product processing. The [College of Pharmacy and Nutrition](#) has a proud tradition of collaborative research and practice innovation in pharmaceutical and nutritional care. There are opportunities to build on and enhance the college's strengths in internationalization, team science, food security, nutrition education, and chronic

diseases. The university is also home to leading-edge research infrastructure, the Canadian Light Source national synchrotron facility, a state-of-the-art Health Sciences Facility, including the College of Pharmacy and Nutrition's food and nutrition research labs. There are opportunities for collaboration on campus with researchers at the Global Institute for Food Security, Crop Development Centre and Departments of Plant Sciences and Food and Bioproduct Sciences, College of Medicine, Western College of Veterinary Medicine, National Research Council, and Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada research centres. This makes it an ideal setting for a research program in human nutrition that emphasizes health outcomes while also contributing to nutrition-sensitive food system innovations.

The successful candidate will teach at the undergraduate and graduate level, contribute to service within the college, and supervise graduate students. They will lead an innovative, high quality research program and attract external research funding and excellent trainees.

The University of Saskatchewan is one of Canada's top 15 research-intensive universities. Its main campus is situated on Treaty 6 Territory and the Homeland of the Metis. The University of Saskatchewan is located in Saskatoon, Saskatchewan, a city on the banks of the South Saskatchewan River known for its quality of life, diverse and thriving economic base, a vibrant arts community and a full range of leisure opportunities. The university has a reputation for excellence in teaching, research and scholarly activities and offers a full range of undergraduate, graduate, and professional programs to a student population of over 24,000.

Qualifications

Candidates must hold a PhD in nutrition or other relevant field and possess the necessary qualifications to be appointed at the Assistant or Associate Professor level. They must demonstrate excellence, creativity, and leadership in research by the significance and quality of their contributions, record of peer-reviewed research funding, if applicable, evidence of successful and varied research collaborations, quality in training and mentorship, and a commitment to knowledge translation, outreach, and exchange.

Tier 2 Chairs are intended for exceptional emerging scholars (i.e., candidates must have less than 10 years of experience as an active researcher in their field 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 consult the CRC website for eligibility

details or contact the Strategic Research Initiatives (SRI) unit for more information (sri.support@usask.ca).

The successful applicant will be appointed as a tenured or tenure-track faculty member at the Assistant or Associate Professor level in the College of Pharmacy and Nutrition and will be nominated for a Tier 2 Canada Research Chair.

Salary bands are as follows: Assistant Professor: \$93,293 to \$112,109; and Associate Professor: \$112,109 to \$130,925, with the possibility of merit-based additions.

This position includes a comprehensive benefits package, which comprises a dental, health and extended vision care plan, pension plan, life insurance (compulsory and voluntary), academic long term disability, sick leave, travel insurance, death benefits, an employee assistance program, a professional expense allowance, and a flexible health and wellness spending program.

How to Apply

Interested candidates must submit their application using the University's online application portal. Click on the "Apply Now" button (top left side of the page) to submit an application. Visit the "Tips for Applying" page (<https://careers.usask.ca/tips-for-applying.php>) for instructions on how to apply. Complete applications will include a detailed curriculum vitae, a research statement, a teaching statement, and the names and contact information of three references.

As part of the application process, applicants will be asked to complete a voluntary employment equity survey.

Review of applications will begin after July 2019. Applications will be accepted and evaluated until the position is filled. The anticipated start date is January 6, 2020, but is negotiable.

The impact of leaves (e.g., parental leave, extended leave due to illness, etc.) will be carefully considered when reviewing the candidate's record of research achievement. Therefore, candidates are encouraged to explain in their application how career interruptions may have impacted them.

The University of Saskatchewan is committed to supporting employees in need of accommodation in an employment context. For more information on the University of Saskatchewan's accommodation policy, please contact Carine Paley at carine.paley@usask.ca (306-966-8650).

The University of Saskatchewan is committed to diversity, inclusion, and equity in the workplace. All qualified candidates, Canadian and other nationalities are encouraged to apply. The University encourages applications from members of the four designated equity groups (women, members of a visible minority, Indigenous persons, and persons with disabilities). Recruitment will be guided by the Canada Research Chairs Equity, Diversity and Inclusion Practices (www.chairs-chaires.gc.ca/programme/equity-equite/index-eng.aspx) and by the strong commitment of the University of Saskatchewan and the college/department/unit to diversity, inclusion, and equity.

For questions related to this position or the selection process, please contact Dr. Carol Henry at carol.henry@usask.ca.

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The University of Saskatchewan is strongly committed to a diverse and inclusive workplace that empowers all employees to reach their full potential. All members of the university community share a responsibility for developing and maintaining an environment in which differences are valued and inclusiveness is practiced. The university welcomes applications from those who will contribute to the diversity of our community. The university must, however, comply with federal immigration requirements.