

## **Transparency Statement for the Nomination of a Tier 2 SSHRC Canada Research Chair**

The University of Saskatchewan wishes to nominate an individual to a vacant Tier 2 SSHRC Canada Research Chair using the emergency retention mechanism as established by the Canada Research Chair Secretariat.

The nominee is an outstanding scholar, with a proven track record of national leadership, interdisciplinary research and innovative mentorship and training. The nominee will articulate a program that supports interdisciplinary Indigenous research and research training models to accelerate reconciliation which aligns with the university's signature areas of *Indigenous Peoples* and *One Health*.

The stature of the candidate working in a highly-competitive and rapidly emerging research area, has made retention of the researcher a serious concern for the institution. The candidate has been approached by other institutions looking to recruit in the area. In addition, retention of the candidate advances the university's equity, diversity and inclusion goals.

This decision has been approved by the USask Research Chairs Oversight Committee:

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The decision was made in close consultation with the college leadership team, and with careful consideration of the university's strategic research goals and its equity and diversity goals and targets.

For questions or concerns regarding this nomination, please contact:

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