CANADA RESEARCH CHAIR IN PHILOSOPHY: POLITICS AND LANGUAGE

The Department of Philosophy at The University of British Columbia (UBC), Vancouver Campus invites applications for the position of Canada Research Chair (Tier I) in Philosophy: Politics and Language. The Chair is expected to be a full-time tenured appointment made at the rank of Professor in the Department of Philosophy. The successful applicant will be a leading and internationally recognized scholar, whose profile and research proposal demonstrate an excellent fit with CRC program criteria and the aims of the position: to create world-leading research on politics and language, media and liberal democracy. The Chair will be expected to maintain an outstanding program of research, to teach at the undergraduate and graduate levels, to supervise undergraduates, graduate students, and postdoctoral fellows, and to contribute to service at the departmental level and beyond.

The CRC in Politics and Language will join the Faculty of Arts, home to 24 Canada Research Chairs across a wide range of humanities and social science units, and the UBC Philosophy Department. The CRC will add to existing strengths at UBC in philosophy, linguistics, rhetoric, psychology, sociology, media studies and political discourse. The chair is expected to develop strong interdisciplinary linkages through engagement with departments and interdisciplinary units on campus.

The Canada Research Chairs Program supports outstanding researchers in areas that will further the institution’s strategic research plan. All Chair nominations are subject to review and final approval by the CRC Secretariat. To meet the criteria of the CRC program, Tier I nominees must: be outstanding and innovative world-class researchers whose accomplishments have made a major impact in their fields; be recognized internationally as leaders in their fields; have superior records of attracting and supervising graduate students and postdoctoral fellows (taking into account different practices in the relevant field or discipline); propose an original, innovative research program of the highest quality; and, as chair holders, be expected to attract, develop and retain excellent trainees, students and future researchers. Nominees for Tier I positions must be full professors (or associate professors who are expected to be promoted to the full professor level within one or two years of the nomination).

Please consult the Canada Research Chairs website for full program information, including further details on eligibility criteria: www.chairs-chaires.gc.ca and http://www.chairs-chaires.gc.ca/program-programme/nomination-mise_en_candidature-eng.aspx.

UBC-Vancouver's Point Grey Campus is located on the traditional, ancestral and unceded territories of the Musqueam people, with whom UBC shares a framework Memorandum of Affiliation. For information relating to Aboriginal initiatives that are available at UBC, visit the UBC Vancouver Aboriginal portal at: http://aboriginal.ubc.ca/.
The Faculty of Arts is a Faculty of distinction and excellence in both teaching and research, with many of our departments regarded as leaders in Canada and ranked in the top 20 or 30 in the world. The UBC Department of Philosophy is an accomplished mid-size department with research and teaching strengths in most areas of analytic philosophy: history and philosophy of science, philosophy of mind, philosophy of cognitive science, epistemology, metaphysics, philosophy of language, aesthetics and value theory. The department has similar strengths in its coverage of select figures and periods in the history of philosophy (and the history of science). For information about the Department, visit: http://philosophy.ubc.ca.

Applications are to be submitted through the UBC Faculty careers website (http://www.hr.ubc.ca/careers/faculty-careers/), Job ID: ______. Applicants should be prepared to upload (in the following order, and not exceeding 12 megabytes per attachment): a curriculum vitae, a sample of their publications, evidence of teaching ability and effectiveness, a description of current and proposed research, and contact information for at least four potential referees from whom confidential letters of assessment can be obtained.

Inquiries about the position may be addressed to: Professor Paul Bartha, Head, Department of Philosophy, University of British Columbia (email: paul.bartha@ubc.ca). For questions about the application process, please contact Erika Yep, Philosophy Department Manager of Administration (email: phil.adm@ubc.ca).

Completed applications must be received by March 5, 2018. Review of applications will begin immediately thereafter and continue until the position is filled.

This position is subject to final budgetary approval. Salary will be commensurate with qualifications and experience. The start date for this position can be as early as July 1, 2018.

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, Métis, Inuit, or Indigenous person. We encourage all qualified persons to apply.