

Assistant Professor (tenure track)
Canada Research Chair (SSHRC, Tier II), Economic Development and Environmental Interactions

The Faculty of Land and Food Systems (LFS) at the University of British Columbia (Vancouver campus) (www.landfood.ubc.ca) is currently accepting internal applications from outstanding researchers with a current full time faculty appointment in LFS at the rank of Assistant Professor (tenure track) for a Canada Research Chair (SSHRC, Tier II) in the area of Economic Development and Environmental Interactions. This position will be part of the Food and Resource Economics group in the Food, Nutrition and Health Program. The anticipated start date is April 1, 2020.

Candidates must hold a Ph.D. in Economics with demonstrated experience to identify and assess factors that are relevant to management of food and natural resources within economic boundary conditions. Applicants should have a very strong scholarly record, comprising high quality publications in leading journals, and demonstration of an early track record of success in graduate student recruitment and supervision, teaching, and obtaining funding from multiple granting agencies that ideally includes a diverse set of national and international collaborators from both the natural and social sciences.

Applicants must be exceptional emerging scholars no more than 10 years from their highest degree at the time of nomination. Applicants with more than 10 years owing to legitimate career interruptions (maternity, parental, or extended sick leave, clinical training, etc.) may have their eligibility for a Tier 2 chair assessed through the CRC program's Tier 2 justification process which involves submission of a Tier 2 Justification Assessment form to the Tri-Agency Institutional Programs Secretariat. Further information about CRC Chairs is available at: <https://academic.ubc.ca/awards-funding/funding-opportunities/canada-research-chairs>.

Consistent with the core areas of strategic strength in LFS, the successful candidate will be expected to strengthen the position of LFS as a leader in the area of integrated research that addresses critical issues related to human health, a sustainable food supply and the responsible use of finite land and water resources. The successful applicant will focus on creating solutions that reconcile economic development with conservation of the natural environment. In particular, the research of the successful applicant will focus on approaches to increasing global food production without degrading natural resources such as clean water, biodiversity, fish stocks and forests.

Applicants should provide a 1) two-page cover letter; 2) detailed curriculum vitae; 3) names and contact information of three references, 4) five-year research plan (1-2 pages) to Dr. David Kitts, Associate Dean Research at david.kitts@ubc.ca by October 9, 2019.

In assessing applications, UBC recognizes the legitimate impact that leaves (e.g., maternity leave, leave due to illness) can have on a candidate's record of research achievement. These leaves will be taken into careful consideration during the assessment process. For contact information regarding UBC's accommodation and access policies and resources (for faculty and staff as well as students), please visit the Centre for Accessibility: <https://students.ubc.ca/aboutstudent-services/centre-for-accessibility>.

The University of British Columbia is located on traditional, unceded Musqueam territory in Vancouver, British Columbia, a region recognized worldwide for its natural beauty. The University is recognized internationally as a leading research institution and the UBC Faculties of Land and Food Systems and Forestry have been ranked 15th globally among faculties of Agriculture and Forestry (2019 QS World University Rankings).

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 of Canada will be given priority.

Preferential Hiring: In order to address the under-representation of members of equity-seeking groups within our Canada Research Chair program, pursuant to Section 42 of the BC Human Rights code, preference will be given to members of the following designated groups: persons with disabilities, Aboriginal peoples, racialized people/members of visible minorities, and women. Candidates from these groups who wish to qualify for preferential consideration are required to complete an equity survey as part of the application at: https://ubc.ca1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_6WJHol75fPxRMu9. Candidates from these groups must self-identify as belonging to one or more of the designated equity groups to be considered for the position.