



University of British Columbia Faculty Position in Climate Change and Human Migration

July 15, 2021

Climate Change and Human Migration (Assistant Professor)

Following the UBC climate emergency declaration and the establishment of the Centre for Migration Studies, the Department of Geography at the University of British Columbia (Vancouver) invites applications for a tenure-track position at the rank of Assistant Professor. We seek an interdisciplinary scholar with a background in geography or a related field, who is working at the intersection of climate change and contemporary and future displacements, mobilities and/or migration.

We welcome applications from scholars with a commitment to inter-disciplinarity (including the natural and social sciences), public engagement, and/or community-based research. Furthermore, we frame a broad reading of climate change and human mobility within the understanding that for Indigenous people and other marginalized communities in the Global South displacement and migration is an amplification of vulnerabilities imposed by colonialism, racialization and political economic forces. We especially encourage candidates from Indigenous, racialized and/or Global South communities to apply.

The successful candidate will contribute to teaching in the Department's Human Geography and/or Environment and Sustainability programs, as well as to departmental and university climate research and climate emergency initiatives.

Preference will be given to candidates who complement and expand on departmental strengths. Candidates should have demonstrated excellence or have promise of excellence in research and have a strong commitment to teaching. The successful candidate will be expected to develop and support a research program and contribute fully to undergraduate teaching, including core courses.

The anticipated start date for this position is July 1, 2022. The closing date for applications is October 1, 2021. Applicants should have a Ph.D. (or provide solid indication of imminent completion) in geography or a related field.

Applications are to be submitted via this online form: <https://geog.air.arts.ubc.ca/position-000093006>

Applicants should be prepared to upload by the closing deadline of October 1, 2021 in the following order and in a single PDF (maximum size 15MB):

- a letter of application
- a curriculum vitae that lists the names and contact information of three referees;
- statements of research and teaching interests;
- statement (up to 1 page) identifying your past contributions to equity, diversity and inclusion, along with your ability to work with a culturally diverse student body; as well as your philosophy of, and potential future contributions to equity, diversity, inclusion, and belonging at UBC. If appropriate, provide details of how your teaching, service and/or scholarship has supported the success of students from racial, ethnic, and gender backgrounds that are underrepresented in your academic field; applicants who have not yet had the opportunity for such experience should note how their work will further UBC's commitment to diversity.
- a publication sample;
- evidence of teaching effectiveness.

Only complete applications will be considered by the search committee. Questions may be directed to the chair of the search committee: Dr. Ian McKendry geog.recruitment@ubc.ca

This position is subject to final budgetary approval. Salary will be commensurate with qualifications and experience. For more information about our department, go to: <http://www.geog.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, Métis, Inuit, or Indigenous person.

All qualified candidates are encouraged to apply; however, Canadians and permanent residents will be given priority.

Given the uncertainty caused by the global COVID-19 pandemic, applicants must be prepared to conduct interviews remotely if circumstances require. A successful applicant may be asked to consider an offer containing a deadline without having been able to make an in-person visit to campus if travel and other restrictions are still in place.