Tier 1 Canada Research Chair in Early Intervention in Psychiatry

The Department of Psychiatry, Dalhousie University invites applications for a Tier 1 Canada Research Chair in Early Intervention in Psychiatry.

This position is restricted to candidates who currently hold a Continuing Appointment at Dalhousie University.

Major psychiatric illnesses such as bipolar disorder, major depression, or schizophrenia are highly prevalent and associated with substantial morbidity and mortality. These disorders affect young people from adolescence to early adulthood, at times critical for psychosocial development, further aggravating the negative impact of the disease.

We are seeking a candidate for a Tier 1 Canada Research Chair to pursue an internationally recognized research program related to these major psychiatric disorders. The focus of the research should be on the identification of individuals at high risk of developing these psychiatric disorders and the development and evaluation of interventions with the potential to reduce this risk.

The candidate must be a psychiatrist licensed to practice medicine in Nova Scotia and with experience appropriate to appointment at the level of professor. They should have an outstanding track record of extensive research related to the focus of this chair, with an excellent history of previous grant funding for related research. Expertise in, and a research track record related to, early risk factors for psychiatric illnesses, as well as experience leading large-scale cohort studies of psychiatric illnesses are required.

The Canada Research Chair (CRC) program was established by the Canadian Federal Government with the purpose of attracting outstanding researchers to the Canadian university system. Tier 1 Chairs are intended for outstanding researchers acknowledged by their peers as world leaders in their fields. Dalhousie recognizes that career paths can be diverse and that career interruptions may occur. Applicants are encouraged to include, in their cover letter, an explanation of the impact that any career interruptions may have had on their record of research achievement.

Interested candidates holding appropriate qualifications and a Continuing Appointment at Dalhousie should send their curriculum vitae, statement of research interest (maximum of two pages), up to three most representative publications, and three confidential letters of reference forwarded under separate cover to:

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The deadline for application is August 9, 2019. A complete application must also include a completed Self-Identification Questionnaire, which is available at www.dal.ca/becounted/selfid.

All qualified candidates are encouraged to apply, although Canadians and permanent residents will be given priority. Dalhousie University is committed to fostering a collegial culture grounded in diversity and inclusiveness. The university encourages applications from Aboriginal or Indigenous people, persons with a disability, racially visible persons, women, persons of minority sexual orientations and gender identities, and all candidates who would contribute to the diversity of our community.

Dalhousie University recognizes its obligation to accommodate candidates in order to ensure full, fair, and equitable participation in the hiring process. Our complete Accommodation Policy can be viewed online at www.dal.ca/policies. To request accommodation at any stage in the hiring process, please contact Sabina Abidi at the email address listed above.

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