UNIVERSITY OF VICTORIA
CANADA RESEARCH CHAIR IN INDIGENOUS GOVERNANCE

The University of Victoria invites applications for a Tier 2 Canada Research Chair in Indigenous Governance. Canada Research Chairs are prestigious appointments funded by the Government of Canada and earmarked for outstanding emerging scholars acknowledged by their peers as having the potential to lead their fields of study. Tier 2 Canada Research Chair (CRC) appointments are normally made at the Assistant Professor level; exceptional candidates may be appointed at a more senior rank.

In accordance with the regulations governing CRCs, this search is open to all international applicants, regardless of nationality or residence. The successful applicant will be nominated by the University for a Canada Research Chair and that nomination is then subject to review by the CRC Secretariat. General information about CRCs may be found at www.chairs.gc.ca

We are seeking applicants with a strong research record and outstanding promise for future scholarly accomplishments and leadership in the Indigenous intellectual community. Some preference will be given to applicants in Indigenous/Native studies, political science and other social sciences, but scholars in related disciplines or who are conducting research in a related field are encouraged to apply. Candidates must have extensive knowledge of and previous success working with First Nations or Indigenous organizations. In addition, candidates must be prepared to assume full teaching and committee responsibilities in the Indigenous Governance Program (IGOV), to advise and assist the School of Public Administration and the Faculty of Human and Social Development in the design and delivery of curricula and programming in the area of Indigenous governance.

The IGOV offers a Master of Arts in Indigenous Governance degree, and PhD by Special Arrangement. IGOV prepares students to assume leadership roles in Indigenous organizations or governments and prepares them for academic careers in the social sciences and humanities. We take a decolonizing approach to research and teaching which is rooted in Indigenous principles and philosophies. Our faculty, staff and students adhere strongly to the twin commitments of accountability to community and scholarly integrity. Further information about the IGOV Programs is available at www.uvic.ca/igov

The successful candidate will have a genuine and meaningful sense of their own Indigenous identity, a strong relationship to their Indigenous nation, and a demonstrated ability to incorporate these into their research and teaching. In accordance with the University of Victoria’s Equity Plan and pursuant to Section 42 of the BC Human Rights Code, the selection of candidates will be limited to Indigenous people. Applicants from this group are encouraged to self-identify. Appointment is conditional upon approval of the successful candidate through the CRC review process.

Applications should include a curriculum vitae, publication list, statement of research interests, the names and addresses of at least three referees, and a letter attesting to their membership in an Indigenous nation. These documents should be sent to:

Dr. Taiaiake Alfred, Director
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In order to be considered, applications must be received by 4:00 pm April 17, 2014.