



Assistant Professor of Indigenous Geographies

The Department of Geography at Simon Fraser University (SFU) invites applications for a full-time tenure-track **Assistant Professor of Indigenous Geographies**. Simon Fraser University is one of British Columbia's leading research universities with campuses located on the unceded traditional territories of the səlilwətaʔt (Tsleil-Waututh), Skwxwú7mesh Úxwumixw (Squamish), xʷməθkʷəy̓əm (Musqueam), qíçəy̓ (Katzie), kʷikwə́ləm (Kwkwetlem), Qayqayt, Kwantlen, Semiahmoo and Tsawwassen peoples. **The tentative start date for this position is July 15, 2023.**

This position will enhance or expand the current research and teaching strengths of the Geography Department in feminist political ecology, climate science, environmental change, water sciences, anti-colonial and critical geographies of race, spatial science, health geographies and/or urban geographies. We seek candidates who have research expertise in Indigenous geographies and centre Indigenous knowledge, epistemologies and methods in their research and teaching. We are especially interested in candidates whose research:

- Explores the spatial dimensions of Indigenous ecological or environmental knowledge, resistance, resurgence, legal orders, and/or relations to land

and/or

- Addresses issues of climate crisis and/or climate justice, situating climate change in the context of longer-standing formations, including colonialism, racial capitalism, environmental racism, and colonial hetero-patriarchy, to shed light on the uneven distribution of climate change's drivers and consequences

Candidates should have a PhD in Geography or a related discipline in hand at the time of the employment. PhD candidates with solid indication of imminent completion may be hired at the rank of Instructor and will be promoted to the rank of Assistant Professor upon completion of the PhD. We seek candidates with outstanding potential for excellence in research, in teaching undergraduate and graduate courses, and in collegial service. Experience practicing land-based scholarship is an asset.

The Department of Geography values diversity, equity, and inclusion and we are committed to reconciliation and hiring faculty who will work to advance these [objectives](#). We strongly encourage people who identify as Indigenous, are accepted by a present-day Indigenous community and who have historic ties to that Indigenous community to apply.

Applications should include:

- a cover letter summarizing the applicant's experience, qualifications, and interest in the position
- a complete CV
- the name, title, institutional affiliation, and contact information of three academic references.
- a 1–2 page research statement (outlining experience, interests, and future directions as they relate to departmental research strengths and potential contributions to reconciliation through research and service to the community)
- two samples of relevant publications or manuscripts, and
- a 1-2 page teaching statement (including past and/or potential contributions to reconciliation through teaching and mentoring)

Please submit your application as a single PDF formatted document electronically to geogsec@sfu.ca, addressed to:

Tracy Brennand, Chair, Department of Geography, Simon Fraser University, 8888 University Drive, Burnaby, B.C., CANADA V5A 1S6

Applications will be reviewed as they are received until the position is filled, with priority given to completed applications received prior to February 3, 2023.

For more information about Geography, visit the web site: <http://www.sfu.ca/geography.html>.

Simon Fraser University is an institution whose strength is based on our shared commitments to diversity, equity and inclusion. Diversity is an underlying principle of our Strategic Vision, which pledges SFU to “foster a culture of inclusion and mutual respect, celebrating the diversity reflected among its students, faculty, staff and our community.” SFU is committed to ensuring no individual is denied access to employment opportunities for reasons unrelated to ability or qualifications. Consistent with this principle, SFU will advance the interests of underrepresented members of the work force, including Indigenous peoples, persons with disabilities, racialized persons, and women; embrace gender and sexual diversity; ensure that equal opportunity is afforded to all who seek employment at the University; and treat all employees equitably. Candidates that belong to underrepresented groups are particularly encouraged to apply.

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

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