



Assistant Professor (Tenure Track) | Department of Psychiatry

The Department of Psychiatry, in the Faculty of Medicine at the University of British Columbia (UBC), invites applications for a full-time (1.0 FTE) faculty position at the rank of Assistant Professor (tenure track) in the Northern Medical Program. The ideal candidate will be a clinician scientist with expertise in the area of child and youth Mental Health and Substance Use (MHSU) issues, Psychiatric epidemiology and population mental health, and Indigenous and/or rural health services research. This position will primarily be based at the distributed Northern Medical Program (NMP) site in Prince George, BC, at the University of Northern British Columbia (UNBC), one of the UBC Faculty of Medicine affiliated institutions.

As part of one of the world's leading universities, the UBC Department of Psychiatry supports outstanding research and engages local, national and global communities. We create an exceptional learning environment, advance mental health research and promote sustainable care for mental illness and addictions. The UBC Department of Psychiatry consists of more than 950 members, including academic and clinical faculty, trainees, students and staff. The Department's medical education programs are some of the most widely distributed within the Faculty of Medicine consisting of faculty appointees and trainees located across the Province within each of British Columbia's Health Authorities.

The NMP is a distributed site of UBC's Faculty of Medicine MD Undergraduate Program, delivered in partnership with UNBC. The NMP is focused on training physicians from and for northern and rural communities in alignment with the social accountability principle of the UBC Faculty of Medicine strategic plan. Along with the Vancouver Fraser Medical Program, the Island Medical Program and the Southern Medical Program, this distributed medical program was the first of its kind in North America and has proven to be a highly successful model of distributed education.

This position will report to the Head of the UBC Department of Psychiatry; the Head will consult with the Regional Associate Dean, Northern BC. The successful candidate will be expected to develop a child and youth-centered mental health systems research portfolio in Northern BC that will include focus on early intervention for children and youth with presentations across the mental health diagnostic spectrum and the ability to provide needs-based planning and implementation research to organizations at the local and provincial levels, including Health Authorities and Ministries to facilitate the translation of epidemiological and clinical evidence into optimal evidence based mental health and addictions policies and services. The successful candidate will be expected to work collaboratively with other clinicians and scientists committed to early intervention as well as child and youth mental health, particularly in underserved or rural settings. The successful candidate will also be expected to actively participate in the teaching activities of the Department of Psychiatry, as well as provide mentorship and training to undergraduate, graduate, and postgraduate learners, primarily in Northern BC for the NMP, Prince George Psychiatry and Family Medicine Programs.

The successful candidate will hold an MD with FRCPC or equivalent qualifications in Child & Adolescent Psychiatry, a master's or doctorate in public health, and have training in psychiatric epidemiology and public health. The successful candidate will have a demonstrated interest and experience in working with government bodies, academic organizations, public health policies and services, and mental health systems, and will have experience or interest in designing and leading population-based epidemiologic studies, qualitative research, and systemic reviews and meta-analysis. Experience or interest in Indigenous community health and/or rural health settings is desirable. Clinical experience demonstrating the potential to make a significant contribution to patient care and psychiatric education is required. The successful candidate will have demonstrated evidence of ability in teaching, evidence of ability in scholarly activity, and will be expected to provide service to the University and the broader academic and professional community.

Salary will be commensurate with qualifications and experience. Applications should include a letter outlining the applicant's research and teaching interests, a detailed curriculum vitae and the names of four references should be directed to:

Dr. Lakshmi Yatham, Professor and Department Head
Department of Psychiatry
The University of British Columbia
c/o Vicky Yau, Director of Administration
Email: vicky.yau@ubc.ca
Subject Line: Northern Medical Program

Additional information can be obtained by visiting psychiatry.ubc.ca or by email at psychiatry.headasst@ubc.ca

Review of applications will begin on May 1, 2021 and continue until the position is filled. The anticipated start date for this position is July 1, 2021, or upon a date to be mutually agreed.

The **University of British Columbia** is a global centre for research and teaching, consistently ranked among the top 20 public universities in the world. Since 1915, UBC's entrepreneurial spirit has embraced innovation and challenged the status quo. UBC encourages its students, staff and faculty to challenge convention, lead discovery and explore new ways of learning. At UBC, bold thinking is given a place to develop into ideas that can change the world.

Our Vision: To Transform Health for Everyone.

Ranked among the world's top medical schools with the fifth-largest MD enrollment in North America, the **UBC Faculty of Medicine** is a leader in both the science and the practice of medicine. Across British Columbia, more than 11,000 faculty and staff are training the next generation of doctors and health care professionals, making remarkable discoveries, and helping to create the pathways to better health for our communities at home and around the world. The Faculty — comprised of approximately 2,200 administrative support, technical/research and management and professional staff, as well approximately 650 full-time academic and over 10,000 clinical faculty members — is composed of 19 academic basic science and/or clinical departments, three schools, and 24 research centres and institutes. Together with its University and Health Authority partners, the Faculty delivers innovative programs and conducts research in the areas of health and life sciences. Faculty, staff and trainees are located at university campuses, clinical academic campuses in hospital settings and other regionally based centres across the province.

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.

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