Lakehead University Tier II Canada Research Chair in Food Systems Studies

Lakehead University invites applications for a Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council (SSHRC) Tier II Canada Research Chair (CRC) in Food Systems Studies at a rank commensurate with experience and qualifications. We seek an innovative, outstanding emerging researcher that has demonstrated interdisciplinary research strengths, grantsmanship and publications in food systems study. The Chair will work closely with colleagues in the Faculty of Health and Behavioural Sciences and will take a lead role at the Food Security Research Network (FSRN) (www.fsrn.ca) which has an established track record in community-based research. There are many opportunities for the Chair to embrace a diversity of interdisciplinary topics critical to the study of building resilient and sustainable food systems. Ongoing research at FSRN embraces the application of a complex adaptive systems perspective to food systems. Given the scope and potential impacts of local food systems, it is particularly critical to understand their dynamics as they emerge through innovation and evolve in response to their surroundings within a context geared primarily toward the dominant agri-industrial system.

The CRC Program was created by the Government of Canada to cultivate world-class research and development. Tier II CRCs are designed for exceptional emerging researchers who have demonstrated particular research creativity with the potential to achieve international recognition in their fields in the next five to ten years. Candidates must have the necessary qualifications to be appointed as a tenured or tenure-track Assistant or Associate Professor level. The Tier II CRC competition is only open to candidates who have at most 10 years of experience from the highest degree at time of nomination.

The successful CRC is expected to conduct an original, innovative research program of high quality, should have a demonstrated ability to conduct an independent program of research, seek external research funding and supervise and attract excellent students and postdoctoral fellows. CRCs at Lakehead University are given a competitive salary, start-up package and a reduced teaching load.

Lakehead University offers on-campus and community-based programs, continuing education and distributed learning, and graduate programs at the Master's and Doctoral levels. Lakehead is a comprehensive research intensive University providing an impressive array of programs in professional arts and sciences, and is the home of the west campus of the Northern Ontario School of

Medicine. The University has an enrolment of approximately 8,100 students at campuses in Thunder Bay and Orillia, with a significant Aboriginal contingent at the Thunder Bay campus. For further information, please visit: www.lakeheadu.ca.

For further information regarding this CRC position, please contact Dr. Lori A. Livingston, Dean of the Faculty of Health and Behavioural Sciences, at (807) 766-7206 or fhbs@lakeheadu.ca. Detailed information on our undergraduate and graduate programs is available at http://healthandbehaviouralsciences.lakeheadu.ca.

Review of applications will begin on October 31, 2013 and continue until the position is filled. Applications and nominations including a letter of interest, curriculum vitae, the contact information for three referees, and three publications that demonstrate a significant contribution to the field should be sent to:

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Please note that this position is subject to review and final approval by the CRC Secretariat in Ottawa. For additional information on the CRC program, please visit the program website at: www.chairs.gc.ca.

Lakehead University is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

The CRC program imposes no restrictions with regard to nationality or current country of residence.