The University of Prince Edward Island invites applications from emerging leaders for a Tier II Canada Research Chair in Climate Change and Adaptation. This position is subject to final budgetary approval.

This will be a tenure stream appointment at the rank of Assistant or Associate Professor at the University of Prince Edward Island in Charlottetown, Prince Edward Island, conditional on the successful applicant being approved as a Tier II Canada Research Chair by the CRC Secretariat. Further information about the CRC program and nominee eligibility is available at http://www.chairs.gc.ca.

Salary is commensurate with experience and in accordance with the UPEI Faculty Association Collective Agreement. Full-time faculty members at UPEI receive a comprehensive benefits package.

Our Vision

We seek a dynamic researcher who engages in independent and collaborative multidisciplinary research, who is recognized by their peers as a potential leader in areas of increasing national and international significance and of emerging importance at UPEI. This position is situated within the innovative new School of Climate Change and Adaptation, which offers a Bachelor of Science in Applied Climate Change and Adaptation and has a Master of Science in Climate Change and Adaptation under development. The strategic areas of research for the School of Climate Change and Adaptation include data and policy analysis for transition to low-carbon economies, coastal system impacts, clean technology innovation in support of agriculture and aquaculture, and climate change and human health.

A CRC with research interests in these areas will be in a strong position to contribute to the advancement of knowledge, products, and services to better inform decision makers about climate change related risks and optimal adaptation approaches. Through an integrated approach to climate change and adaptation research, the Chair will contribute to an interactive environment that will foster new knowledge and R&D for climate change innovation and adaptive solutions.

Position Requirements

Institutional requirements: To be successful, a candidate must have a PhD and have developed a strong, original and innovative research program in the interdisciplinary fields of Climate Change and Adaptation with a focus on data and policy analysis for transition to low-carbon economies, coastal system impacts, clean technology innovation in support of agriculture and aquaculture, or climate change and human health.

The successful candidate will be able to demonstrate the potential to achieve international recognition in their field in the next five to ten years, and have the potential to attract, develop and retain excellent trainees, students and future researchers. They will have had success attracting competitive research funding and working with industry or climate-focused organizations. They must be able to demonstrate the potential to assume a leadership role at UPEI and to work collaboratively with other researchers and faculty within and beyond the School of Climate Change and Adaptation.

Canada Research Chair Program Requirements

- Tier 2 Chairs are intended for exceptional emerging scholars (i.e. candidate must have been an active researcher in their field for fewer than 10 years at the time of nomination). Please see CRC website for eligibility details.
- Applicants who are more than 10 years from their highest degree (and where career breaks exist, including maternity leave, extended sick leave, clinical training, etc.) may have their eligibility for a Tier 2 Canada Research Chair assessed through the program’s Tier 2 justification process. Please contact the research grants office for more information.
Application Instructions

Candidates must submit a curriculum vitae, a cover letter that addresses current research interests, and the names, addresses, phone numbers, and email addresses of at least three references to Strategic Research Initiatives Manager, Jan Coffin, jdcoffin@upei.ca. Please include your name in the file name(s).

Inquiries about the position can be sent to:

Dr. Kathy Gottschall-Pass, Dean of Science
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550 University Avenue, Charlottetown, PE, Canada C1A 4P3
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For additional information of this position, please visit the UPEI Canada Research Chair website http://www.upei.ca/research/research-chairs

Commitment to Employment Equity

The recruitment and nomination of Canada Research Chairs at UPEI conforms to the principles of the Canada Research Chair Program and UPEI’s Canada Research Chair Action Plan in order to ensure equity, diversity and inclusion. To this end, we invite applications from Aboriginal peoples, women, persons with disabilities, members of visible minorities, persons of any sexual orientation or gender identity, individuals with eligible career interruptions, and others with the skill and knowledge to productively engage with diverse communities. Hiring at UPEI is based on merit and a diverse pool of candidates contributes to the excellence of the university and the research enterprise. We encourage members of equity-seeking groups to self-identify within the application process.

In accordance with Canadian immigration requirements, all qualified candidates are encouraged to apply; however, Canadian citizens and permanent residents will be given priority. UPEI is committed to the principle of equity in employment.

Consideration of applications will begin on July 16, 2018 and will continue until a nominee is selected.