Media, Communication, and Public Engagement

The School of Communication at Simon Fraser University invites applications from outstanding candidates for a tenure-track position at the rank of Assistant Professor in the area of Media, Communication, and Public Engagement.

Specific areas may include, but are not limited to: social media; activism and social movements; popular culture; political communication and public opinion; advocacy; civic engagement; environmental and risk communication; global communication and social change; theories and philosophies of publics; visual communication; popular music; media storytelling; documentary and community media production and research.

We welcome approaches that include but are not limited to intersectional feminisms, transcultural studies, decolonization and postcolonial studies, critical race, governance and policy, and indigenous studies. We are searching for candidates who address these or other issues using qualitative, quantitative, computational, digital methods as well as applied practices, or a combination of approaches.

Situated in the Faculty of Communication, Art and Technology, the School of Communication is a national and global leader in the discipline. The School is a dynamic site of research and teaching. Our critical tradition to the study of communication includes approaches such as media and culture, technology studies, global communication, culture industries and policy, history of communication, and applied media production, among others. This position will build on the School's history of critical engagement while developing new directions to reflect contemporary and emergent issues of media and communication. We seek an innovative colleague who will challenge traditional distinctions between critical analysis and applied approaches.

The successful candidate will have interdisciplinary and transnational/global links in their research program, demonstrated potential for research funding and publication, a track record for collaborative initiatives and experience working with students from diverse backgrounds. The candidate will be expected to teach and supervise students at all undergraduate and graduate levels and to work with partners inside and outside the University. Candidates are expected to have a completed Ph.D. (or Ph.D. near completion) in Communication, Media Studies, or a cognate discipline.

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

SFU is an equity employer and encourages applications from all qualified individuals including women, persons with disabilities, visible minorities, Indigenous Peoples, people of all sexual orientations and gender identities, and others who may contribute to the further diversification of the university.

Candidates should submit:
- A cover letter with indication of citizenship and/or residency status
- A curriculum vitae
• Research statement
• Teaching dossier (examples of applied pedagogy are welcome)
• One (1) sample of published work
• Contact information for three referees. (Letters of reference may be requested at a later date.)

All documents should be combined into a single PDF file with bookmarks.

Please send applications directly to Brenda Baldwin, Director’s Assistant, at cmnsdsec@sfu.ca, addressed to:

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Review of applications will begin on January 29, 2020 and continue until the position is filled. The start date for the successful candidate is expected to be July 1, 2020.

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