

ASSISTANT PROFESSOR GERONTOLOGY

The School of Social Sciences in the <u>Faculty of Arts</u> at Laurentian University invites applications from suitably qualified candidates for a tenure stream appointment at the rank of Assistant / Associate Professor with a specialization in <u>Gerontology</u>. The preferred start date is 1 August, 2025.

The successful candidate will have the following essential qualifications:

- A PhD in Gerontology, or in a related field.
- Evidence of the ability to effectively teach undergraduate courses with a commitment to pedagogical and academic excellence, promoting a safe, inclusive, and welcoming learning environment, and advancing Laurentian University's bilingual and tricultural mandates.
- Experience in teaching courses related to aging, the life course, and older adults; critical skills, theories, and methods of research in Gerontology.

The successful candidate will be expected to:

- Actively engage and participate in teaching and research, and have a strong presence on campus, contributing to the School, Faculty, University, and broader community
- Primarily teach online asynchronous courses with the option of teaching some hybrid courses on campus.
- Participate on campus in our culture of research and teaching at both the undergraduate and graduate level, contributing to the School, Faculty, University, and broader community. The candidate will participate in program development and oversight of hybrid and online learning, all in a collegial campus environment.
- Demonstrate evidence of relevant research and scholarship with the potential to work collaboratively with colleagues and build internal and external interdisciplinary or intersectoral collaborations. Area of research expertise is open.
- Commit to promoting a diverse, inclusive and vibrant academic and work environment.
- Though the teaching for this position is in English, the selected candidate is expected to have active knowledge of both official languages (functional bilingualism) or passive comprehension of the French/English languages (receptive bilingualism). The Gerontology program is located in the School of Social Sciences, which offers undergraduate programs in Criminology; Economics; Equity, Diversity and Human Rights; Gerontology; Psychology; and Sociology. The School also contributes to a PhD in Human Studies and Interdisciplinarity, and MA programs in Psychology and Relational Studies.

The successful candidate will participate actively, and on site, in the administration of the program and the supervision of students. In addition, the incumbent will be expected to make contributions through service to the School, Faculty, University, and broader community. The School particularly encourages applications from scholars whose interests and accomplishments are aligned with our <u>institutional strategic plan</u>.

Laurentian University, located on Atikameksheng Anishnawbek territory in Sudbury, Ontario, serves over 8000 students and is one of two bilingual universities in the province of Ontario. Committed to its bilingual, tricultural mandate, Laurentian University offers an outstanding university experience in English and French with a comprehensive approach to Indigenous education. Laurentian's beautiful, forested campus is surrounded by fresh-water lakes, conservation lands and hundreds of kilometres of cross-country and hiking trails while situated in the geographic centre of Greater Sudbury, northern Ontario's major urban centre (population 160,000). Laurentian University has close and productive ties to Science North, SNOLAB, NOSM University, Health Sciences North, and multiple post-secondary institutions.

Application Requirements

A complete application includes the following:

- A cover letter (including one of the two statements about citizenship/resident status specified below);
- An up-to-date curriculum vitae;
- A statement of current and prospective teaching experience, specializations, and interests:
- a statement of current and prospective research interests;
- Other examples of student and community engagement such as symposia, activism, etc.;
- The names and contact information for three academic references.

The application package, inclusive of all documents, should be submitted electronically as a single PDF file to: Office of Provost and Vice-President Academic at academic-careers@laurentian.ca with the following subject line: Application for faculty position in Gerontology. The deadline for receipt of applications is June 15, 2025 or until the position is filled.

Laurentian University is an inclusive and welcoming community committed to employment equity. Applications are encouraged from members of equity-seeking communities including women, racialized and Indigenous persons, persons with disabilities, and persons of all sexual orientations and gender identities/expressions. Laurentian University's bilingualism policy (Section 7.3.b) provides a provision regarding the language requirement for persons self-identifying as First Nations, Métis or Inuit. (https://laurentian.ca/bilingualism) The successful candidate will be part of the Laurentian University Faculty Association (LUFA). Candidates are encouraged to consult the Collective Agreement at www.lufappul.ca.

Laurentian University is committed to providing an inclusive and barrier-free experience to applicants with accessibility needs. Requests for accommodation can be made at any stage during the recruitment process. Please contact the Office of the Provost and Vice-President Academic for more information (pvpa@laurentian.ca).

All qualified persons are encouraged to apply; however, in accordance with Canadian immigration requirements, Canadian citizens and permanent residents of Canada will be given priority.

To comply with federal laws, the University is obliged to gather statistical information as to how many applicants for each job vacancy are Canadian citizens/ permanent residents of Canada. Applicants need not identify their country of origin or citizenship; however, all applicants must include one of the following statements: "I am a Canadian citizen / permanent resident of Canada"; OR, "I am not a Canadian citizen / permanent resident of Canada" in their cover letter. Applications that do not include this information will be deemed incomplete.