

ACHF Cuthbertson and Fischer Chair in Pediatric Mental Health
Department of Psychiatry
Cumming School of Medicine

The Department of Psychiatry (<http://www.ucalgary.ca/psychiatry/>), the Alberta Children's Hospital Research Institute (ACHRI; <http://research4kids.ucalgary.ca>) and the Hotchkiss Brain Institute (HBI; <http://www.hbi.ucalgary.ca/>) invite applications for a tenure track academic position, at the Assistant or Associate Professor level to develop a vigorous, independent, research program in child and youth mental health. Candidates will be applying concurrently for the Alberta Children's Hospital Foundation Cuthbertson and Fischer Chair in Pediatric Mental Health. The successful candidate will join a rich academic environment supported by the resources of the Owerko Center at ACHRI (focusing on research in childhood neurodevelopmental and mental health disorders) and the Mathison Centre for Mental Health Research and Education.

We are seeking an individual with expertise and a strong track record in clinical and developmental neuroscience, and/or child and adolescent psychopathology, who has established a vigorous research program exploring some aspect of the etiology, pathogenesis, early diagnosis, prevention or treatment of childhood psychiatric disorders. The successful candidate will join a critical mass of local researchers with expertise in basic and person-centred research in child and youth mental health including (but not limited to) neuroimaging, genetics and epigenetics, and transcranial magnetic stimulation.

The Alberta Children's Hospital Foundation (ACHF) Cuthbertson and Fischer Chair in Pediatric Mental Health is an endowed Chair within the Cumming School of Medicine. The chair holder will be appointed in the Department of Psychiatry, with a joint appointment in Paediatrics or other Departments according to their interest and activities. The chair holder is expected to provide leadership in the development of a multidisciplinary and collaborative research program in child mental health; support transfer of new knowledge into improvements in clinical practice and best practice policies; attract and mentor trainees and more junior faculty; and collaborate with key partners to achieve synergies around the broader children's mental health programs within the Calgary Zone.

Qualifications of the applicants include a MD or MD/PhD. Candidates must have a demonstrated focus in one of the following areas: anxiety, depression, ADHD or another major childhood psychiatric disorder. Applicants at the Assistant Professor level would be expected to have 2-3 years of experience in research or research-related roles beyond the MD, PhD or MD/PhD, and a proven record of excellence in qualitative research methodologies as demonstrated by scholarly publications and the ability to compete successfully for funding. Applications at the Associate Professor level must present evidence of an established, externally funded research program, a strong publication record, a record of successful teaching and graduate student supervision, and evidence of established academic engagement and leadership contributions within the professional and other communities.

The position provides at least 50% protected time for research, and will include expectations to contribute to teaching and for MDs a clinical service provision. Eligibility for medical licensure in the province of Alberta is required for MDs. This is an excellent opportunity to develop an independent externally funded research program within a collaborative environment. Generous startup packages are available through the Owerko Center at ACHRI.

Alberta Children's Hospital Research Institute established the Owerko Centre in 2015. The Centre's resources support research and training programs focused on uncovering the bio-psychosocial origins of childhood neurodevelopmental and mental health disorders, and developing effective interventions for children and their families. For more information:

http://research4kids.ucalgary.ca/files/research4kids/owerko_for_september_28_2015-final.pdf

The Mathison Centre for Mental Health Research & Education (<http://mathison.ucalgary.ca>) focuses on understanding the causes of mental illness and determining the most appropriate ways for prevention, early identification and early intervention, in order to: "*reduce the burden of mental illness in youth so that youth and their families remain productive contributors to society*". The Centre, created in 2012, is home to 25 mental health researchers and provides an enriched environment for mental health research and the training of students and fellows at the University of Calgary's Cumming School of Medicine.

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More details of this unique opportunity can found in the document “*Alberta Children’s Hospital Foundation Cuthbertson and Fischer Chair in Pediatric Mental Health – University of Calgary Eyes High Brain and Mental Health Strategic Research Priority: Background Information*” at:

<https://research4kids.ucalgary.ca/files/research4kids/c-and-f-chair-backgrounder-november-11-2015-final.pdf>

Interested applicants should submit a cover letter, academic CV, a statement of research interests (not to exceed 2 pages) and the names of three (3) referees, by January 31, 2017 to:

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In this connection, at the time of your application, please answer the following question: Are you a Canadian citizen or a permanent resident of Canada? (Yes/No)

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