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Assistant Professor
Department of Gerontology
Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences

The Department of Gerontology at Simon Fraser University is inviting applications for a full-time, tenure-track appointment at the rank of Assistant Professor in the area of *Healthy Aging in the Community*. The position is expected to commence July 15, 2025 and is subject to the availability of funding.

Details about the Department of Gerontology and its current faculty, research, teaching, and degree programs are available at <http://www.sfu.ca/gerontology.html>. The Department has strong graduate (MA and PhD), post-baccalaureate diploma, and minor programs.

Position Qualifications

We seek to recruit an emergent scholar with expertise in one or more social science disciplines, and who has experience and expertise researching one or more of the following areas: health equity for older adults, social care and older adults, dementia care and prevention, knowledge mobilization and implementation science. Applicants should have demonstrated or show the potential to build a strong publication record in one or more of the areas identified above as evidenced by publications in leading academic journals and/or with leading academic presses and through strong endorsements from letters of reference. The candidate should demonstrate evidence of a commitment to high-quality research and teaching experience, and community engagement and outreach. Their experience of working with a diverse student body and their contributions or potential contributions to creating/advancing a culture of equity, inclusion, and collegiality will be welcomed.

The candidate must hold a PhD in a social science discipline or a closely related field.

Position Duties

Candidates will be required to build on the strengths and bolster the capacity of the unit. The new faculty member will address a strategic and priority need for building capacity in community-engaged research and teaching capacity in socially relevant care and support for older adults. Building research capacity in area identified above will strongly advance our visibility in aging and health at both provincial and national levels, along with furthering our existing research excellence of the Department of Gerontology and the Gerontology Research Centre. The faculty member will be expected to develop a strong, externally funded research program, effectively teach undergraduate and graduate courses in gerontology, successfully supervise graduate students, and participate in program and

departmental governance. Finally, it is expected that the successful candidate will contribute to the Faculty, University, and the academic community through service.

Applications will be considered until the position is filled, with preference being given to applications received prior to January 15, 2025. Applications will be treated in confidence. We thank all applicants for their interest; however, only those selected for interviews will be contacted. If you have any questions, please contact the Search Committee's secretary at geradmin@sfu.ca.

Applicants will submit electronically (as one consolidated PDF):

- 1) A cover letter
- 2) A full curriculum vitae
- 3) A teaching dossier (e.g., a one-page statement of teaching philosophy, outlines of courses developed or taught, examples of new courses that could be developed)
- 4) A research statement, three writing samples and a one-page outline of a potential five-year research program
- 5) The names and contact details of three referees

All material should be sent to (and cc'd to our department manager, geradmin@sfu.ca):

Dr. Andrew Wister (wister@sfu.ca)
Search Committee Chair
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NOTE:

Simon Fraser University respectfully acknowledges the x^wməθk^wəyəm (Musqueam), Sk̓wx̓wú7mesh Úxwumixw (Squamish), səlilwətaʔt (Tsleil-Waututh), q̓íćəy̓ (Katzie), k^wik^wəłəm (Kwikwetlem), Qayqayt, Kwantlen, Semiahmoo and Tsawwassen peoples on whose unceded traditional territories our three campuses reside.

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

Simon Fraser University is an institution whose strength is based on our shared commitments to diversity, equity, and inclusion. Diversity is an underlying principle of our Strategic Vision, which pledges SFU to “foster a culture of inclusion and mutual respect, celebrating the diversity reflected among its students, faculty, staff, and our community.” SFU is committed to ensuring that no individual is denied access to employment opportunities for reasons unrelated to ability

or qualifications. Consistent with this principle, SFU will advance the interests of underrepresented members of the work force, including Indigenous peoples, persons with disabilities, racialized persons, and women; embrace gender and sexual diversity; ensure that equal opportunity is afforded to all who seek employment at the University; and treat all employees equitably. Candidates that belong to underrepresented groups are particularly encouraged to apply.

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