

**Assistant Professor Position in Neurovirology:
Full-time Probationary (Tenure Track) Appointment in the Department of Microbiology & Immunology**

Position Profile: The Schulich School of Medicine & Dentistry at Western University is broadly seeking applicants in the field of neurovirology. The successful candidate will be appointed to a full-time, probationary (tenure track) appointment at the rank of Assistant Professor in the Department of Microbiology and Immunology. The candidate will be expected to develop an externally funded research program and will be supported through the provision of dedicated space and start-up funds within an interdisciplinary research environment, including core facilities and the ImPaKT CL2+/CL3 Containment Facility. There will be opportunities to establish collaborative linkages with researchers. The successful candidate will be expected to train graduate students and will carry out teaching responsibilities within the Department of Microbiology & Immunology, although protected time from teaching is provided at the onset of the pre-tenure stage.

Qualifications: The successful applicant will have completed a PhD or MD/PhD with a demonstrated track record of external award success and publications in peer-reviewed journals. The successful individual will be expected to have exceptional communication skills and be willing to provide leadership in this field of study. Teaching experience at the undergraduate level that includes both lecture and laboratory-based courses is preferred. Compensation will be commensurate with the qualifications and experience.

Western, like many postsecondary institutions in Canada, is moving beyond the sole reliance upon Indigenous self-identification in hiring **designated** Indigenous roles to safeguard against use of incorrect, incomplete, or misleading information regarding claims of Indigenous identity. Candidates who are invited for an interview, will be asked to have their claim to Indigenous identity (First Nations, Métis, and Inuit) affirmed through a relational accountability process, led by the Office of Indigenous Initiatives (OII), that is consistent with Indigenous ways of knowing, being, and doing. Please contact the OII directly for details on the affirmation processes: <https://indigenous.uwo.ca/> [indigenous.uwo.ca] . The policy can be viewed at: [POLICY 1.58 - Affirming Declarations of Indigenous Citizenship or Membership at Western University \[uwo.ca\]](#)

Department Profile: The Department, established in 1939, has a mandate of research and education in Microbiology and Immunology. Teaching occurs predominantly in the Schulich School of Medicine & Dentistry and the School of Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies. The Department is home to 30 well-funded, internationally renowned scientists and clinician scientists whose research spans key areas of infection and immunity, including the molecular and cellular biology of microorganisms and viruses, as well as the cellular and molecular biology of the immune system. Within the department, there is a developing focus in neurovirology and neuroimmunology that collaborates with a larger consortium of Western neuroscientists and neurologists. Additional information about the department and collaborators can be found at: <https://www.schulich.uwo.ca/microbiologyandimmunology/> and <https://win.uwo.ca/>.

The School: The Schulich School of Medicine & Dentistry at Western University's mission is to deliver outstanding education, advance high-impact research and innovation, and partner with communities to improve health for today and tomorrow. Within the Schulich School, research is conducted throughout its seven Basic Science Departments, fourteen Clinical Departments, and affiliated research centers and institutes. The Bachelor of Medical Sciences (BMSc) is a leading Canadian undergraduate program that is the foundation for a successful future in the medical sciences. We deliver advanced clinical training in the heart of one of Canada's premier hospital networks, rooted in Western's legacy of medical excellence. In addition, the Schulich School offers intensive educational experience and clinical training that shape world-class, community-focused dental practitioners.

The University: Western's campus is located in the city of London, Ontario. With an enviable national reputation and an international profile that ranks among the top universities worldwide, Western pushes the boundaries of pedagogical and scholarly excellence while setting a national standard for a student experience that is second to none. Western serves as a hub for more than 500 international research collaborations and is recognized as one of Canada's Top 100 Employers. There are more than 38,000 students within Western's 12 Faculties and Schools and 3 affiliated University Colleges. Approximately 4,000 faculty and staff work in partnership to deliver 400+ specializations, majors, and minors, as well as innovative modular degree programs. For more information about Western's strategic priorities, visit [Western Strategic Plan](#) and [Indigenous Strategic Plan](#), and for information on Western's research areas, please visit [Research Western](#).

The City: London, Ontario is Canada's 10th largest city situated in southwestern Ontario with a population of 400,000 in a catchment area of 2.4 million located midway between Toronto and Windsor/Detroit. London, known as the "Forest City", has an extensive park system with river valleys, tree-lined streets, and bicycle paths. London has a reasonable cost of living and hosts an international airport, galleries, theatre, music, sporting events, and excellent restaurants. The region has a strong economy and excellent primary and secondary school systems for residents with children. London, Ontario is a diverse city, home to many cultures, ethnicities, and faiths. This growing diversity is supported by community strategies like the [Community Diversity and Inclusions Strategy](#), and a significant increase in visible minorities. The city attracts immigrants due to its combination of amenities, livability, and housing affordability, and offers settlement services and community groups to aid integration. See www.ledc.com/why-london to learn more.

Application Process: Applications will be considered until the position is filled. Review of applications will begin after November 3, 2025, with an anticipated start date of July 1, 2026, or as negotiated.

Interested candidates should send a letter of interest of no more than five pages providing details on the candidate's current and proposed research program, a teaching philosophy statement, and a diversity statement, curriculum vitae, and the names and contact information for three references. Please ensure that the form available at the link below is completed and included in your application submission:

<http://www.uwo.ca/facultyrelations/faculty/Application-FullTime-Faculty-Position-Form.pdf>

The application package should be assembled into a **single PDF document** for submission to Dr. Dekaban via email to jessica.jamieson@schulich.uwo.ca.

Positions are subject to budget approval. Applicants should have fluent written and oral communications skills in English. The University invites applications from all qualified individuals. Western is committed to employment equity and diversity in the workplace and welcomes applications from women, members of racialized groups, Indigenous peoples, persons with disabilities, persons of any sexual orientation, and persons of any gender identity or gender expression.

In accordance with Canadian immigration requirements, priority will be given to Canadian citizens and permanent residents.

Accommodations are available for applicants with disabilities throughout the application and recruitment process. If you require accommodations for interviews or other meetings, please contact Jessica Jamieson at Jessica.jamieson@schulich.uwo.ca or at 519-661-2111, ext. 86852

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