



**FACULTY POSITION**  
**Probationary (Tenure-Track) – Assistant Professor**  
**School of Occupational Therapy**

[The Faculty of Health Sciences](#) at Western University invites applications for a full-time probationary (tenure-track) position at the rank of Assistant Professor in the [School of Occupational Therapy](#). The successful candidate will be expected to: establish and conduct an externally funded program of occupation-based research which relates to one or more of the School's three research pillars in health and wellbeing, social inclusion and/or social justice; teach assigned courses in the School of Occupational Therapy, the Health and Rehabilitation Sciences or Advanced Health Care Practice graduate programs, and/or the School of Health Studies; supervise Master's and PhD students; and fulfill administrative duties within the School, Faculty, and University. The successful candidate will actively contribute to the School's commitment to sustaining an inclusive and diverse academic and student community, and ideally will have the capacity to provide leadership in enacting our strategic priorities related to the Truth and Reconciliation Commission of Canada: Calls to Action.

Located in a research-intensive university, the School of Occupational Therapy has a strong record of research accomplishments including over \$3.5M in research grants, 200+ publications, and 2,400+ media impressions in the last 5 years. The School's vision to achieve excellence through the transformative power of occupation contributes to the Faculty's signature research areas of '[Social Determinants of Health](#),' '[Changing Health Services, Systems, and Policies](#),' and '[On the Move](#)'. Moreover, the School's success in health-related research activities including '[a Healthy Future](#),' '[a Technology Informed Future](#)' and '[a Just and Equitable Future](#)' makes significant contributions to the University's strategic goal to "[Mobilize for Impact](#)," including, 'connecting our work to the world' 'fostering relationships' and 'tackling the grand challenges of our time.' The School also has active research links with two Research Centres in the Faculty, including the [Centre for Research in Health Equity and Social Inclusion](#), and the [National Centre for Audiology](#).

Eligible candidates must hold a PhD and preferably be occupational therapists, registered or eligible for registration with the College of Occupational Therapists of Ontario (COTO). Preference will be given to applicants with an exemplary record of achievements in research for their stage of career. Applicants will also show significant knowledge and demonstrated research excellence to the fields of occupational science/occupational therapy, particularly as these relate to the School's research pillars. Additional consideration will be granted for an applicant with proficiency related to Indigenous health and well-being. Salary will be commensurate with qualifications and experience. The effective date of the appointment is July 1, 2023, or as negotiated.

The accredited School of Occupational Therapy is recognized, nationally and internationally, for leadership in occupational therapy and occupational science. The School is committed to the development of occupational therapy as a science-driven, evidence-informed, and occupation-focused academic discipline with an established masters (MScOT) entry-level professional program. The School has a new innovative curriculum, excellent teaching, and research facilities as well as clinical and community facilities to support the development of occupational therapy and occupational science. The School leads the Upper Extremity Rehabilitation field of study in the Master of Clinical Science in Advanced Healthcare Practice program and is a major contributor to the MSc and PhD programs in Health and Rehabilitation Sciences. In partnership with the Graduate Program in Health and Rehabilitation Sciences, the School of Occupational Therapy is the first Canadian program that provides an opportunity to pursue graduate education in Occupational Science and to obtain combined MScOT/PhD degrees.

[Western University](#) delivers an academic experience second to none. Western challenges the best and brightest faculty, staff, and students to commit to the highest global standards. Our research excellence expands knowledge and drives discovery with real-world application. Western attracts individuals with a broad worldview, seeking to study, influence, and lead in the international community. Since 1878, The Western Experience has combined academic excellence with life-long opportunities for intellectual, social, and cultural growth to better serve our communities.

Interested applicants are invited to submit a complete application package, **as a single PDF file**, containing the following:

- [Application for Full-time Faculty Position Form](#)
- Cover letter that outlines their interest and qualifications for the role
- Curriculum vitae
- Statement of research accomplishments, program of research with a proposed five-year plan, and a brief statement of teaching experience.
- Statement on Equity, Diversity, Inclusion and Decolonization in relation to their research, teaching and/or service.
- Names and contact information of three academic referees

The application package can be submitted via email to:

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**Review of applications will begin on December 5, 2022 and will continue until the position is filled.**

**Please quote HS-246 on all correspondence.**

**Effective September 7, 2021, all employees and visitors to campus are required to comply with Western's [COVID-19 Vaccination Policy](#).**

Positions are subject to budget approval. Applicants should have fluent written and oral communication 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 recruitment process. If you require accommodations for interviews or other meetings, please contact Alaina Burke at [aburke49@uwo.ca](mailto:aburke49@uwo.ca).

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