The Department of Psychiatry, Schulich School of Medicine & Dentistry, is inviting applications for a full-time clinical academic faculty position within the division of Forensic Psychiatry in our affiliated teaching hospitals, London Health Sciences Centre and St. Joseph’s Health Care London. The Department seeks a colleague who is interested in being part of a dynamic team and committed to providing evidence-informed compassionate clinical care. The successful candidate will serve as a role model and supervisor for our undergraduate medical students, psychiatry residents, and clinical research fellows.

The Department of Psychiatry is organized around four academic divisions including General Adult Psychiatry, Geriatric Psychiatry, Child and Adolescent Psychiatry, and Forensic Psychiatry. The Department also has internationally recognized strengths in psychosis, neuroimaging, mood and anxiety disorders, PTSD, and developmental disabilities.

The successful candidate must have record of relevant teaching experience with outstanding evaluations; have demonstrated expertise and experience in Forensic Psychiatry; experience to provide clinical care with a concurrent disorders program that works with individuals aged 16 and older living with severe and persistent mental illness and an active substance abuse disorder; demonstrated experience and expertise in building Forensic subspecialty programs; an ability to function and lead multidisciplinary teams; a record of relevant teaching experience with outstanding evaluations. The successful candidate will provide demonstrated experience and expertise in building Forensic subspecialty programs. In addition, there are opportunities to participate in clinical research activities with many resources to foster career development. Opportunities for duties in assessment, treatment and rehabilitation and outreach areas exist and can be negotiated.

Successful candidates must have a strong academic background which includes supervision and training of trainees and demonstrated scholarship. Consideration of applicants will include an assessment of previous performance in teaching, research and health care leadership, qualifications (including subspecialty and enhanced training), and experience. Successful candidates seeking research careers must have a record of productivity and eagerness to serve as a research career mentor for trainees.

We are committed to ensuring that our students, both undergraduate and postgraduate, have the optimum learning and training experiences with opportunities to engage in both clinical and basic science research. Dedicated clinical teachers, clinical researchers, physicians, scientists, and basic scientists support these opportunities along with dedicated and knowledgeable administrative support staff.

Our undergraduate clerkships consistently earn high praise from medical students due to the commitment and enthusiasm of our teaching faculty. Our vibrant residency program is dedicated to continuous quality improvement, resident engagement, and rigorous assessments and program evaluations. Building upon the general program, we also have stellar residency programs in geriatric psychiatry and child and adolescent psychiatry. Many of our trainees choose to remain in our department post-graduation.

Our faculty also engage in cutting-edge research in the fields of early intervention for psychosis and mood and anxiety disorders, neuroimaging, trauma, neuromodulation, Indigenous health, homelessness, smart technology, consciousness, youth engagement, global mental health, substance usage, and epidemiology. By partnering with allied research institutes such as Brain & Mind, Robarts, and Lawson Health Research Institute, and calling upon colleagues across the University, our investigators benefit from a wealth of experience, expertise, and collaborations.

The Department of Psychiatry places great importance on collegiality and professionalism. Our faculty are
committed to providing a warm and welcoming environment for its colleagues, students, staff and guests. We are committed to supporting diversity and inclusion as different perspectives enrich our work. Candidates must enjoy working collaboratively with other members of the health care team including hospital leaders.

London Health Sciences Centre is comprised of Victoria Hospital, the main centre of our acute psychiatry services; University Hospital; and affiliated community teaching clinics. St. Joseph’s Health Care London’s primary psychiatric site is Parkwood Institute, which serves as a regional rehabilitation resource for patients with serious and persistent mental illnesses. The Southwest Centre for Forensic Mental Health Care’s mission is to provide specialized assessment and treatment for people in contact with the criminal justice system. St. Joseph's Hospital, Mount Hope Centre for Long Term Care, and community clinics complete the St. Joseph’s family of facilities. London Health Sciences and St. Joseph's share a rich tradition of collaboration.

Rank (Assistant or Associate Professor) and appointment status (limited term or continuing) will be determined by experience and qualifications at the time of appointment. Candidates must hold an MD or equivalent and be eligible for licensure in the Province of Ontario. Specialist certification in Psychiatry from the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Canada or an equivalent certification body is required.

Western University provides an outstanding educational experience within a research-intensive environment. The University has a full-time enrolment of about 34,000 students with a full range of academic and professional programs. Established in 1881, the Schulich School of Medicine & Dentistry, one of the founding schools of Western University, has educated generations of physicians, dentists, scholars and scientists whose collective work has transformed the practice of medicine and dentistry both nationally and globally.

The City of London has a population of approximately 500,000 with a diverse cultural mix and the hospitals serve a region of two million. London is safe, family-oriented, affordable and located in the heart of the beautiful Great Lakes region. It is known as the “Forest City”, due to its plethora of trees. The center of London is graced by the Thames River with nearly 30 kilometers of bicycle trails hugging the riverbanks. London is a quick one-hour drive to Stratford, known for its exceptional influences in the arts and theatre performance. In addition, London is central to its nearby cities of Toronto and Detroit and the majestic Niagara Falls.

Please submit your application, curriculum vitae, statement of career goals, highlights of accomplishments, and contact information for three references, to:

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London Health Sciences Centre and St Joseph’s Health Care London
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Please ensure that the form available at:
http://uwo.ca/facultyrelations/physicians/Application_FullTime_Clinical.pdf
is completed and included in your application.

Applications will be accepted until the position is filled. Review of applications will begin after February 20, 2021 with an anticipated start date of July 1, 2021 or as negotiated.

Remuneration will be based on qualifications and experience and will be composed primarily on the following sources; salary, fee for service, alternative funding plan, and academic support.

Business Addresses:
Western University, 1151 Richmond Street, N., London, Ontario N6A 5B8, www.uwo.ca
Southwest Centre, 401 Sunset Dr, St Thomas, ON N5R 3C6, https://www.sjhc.london.on.ca/areas-of-
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 us at HRPsycho@lhsc.on.ca

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