The Department of Economics at The University of Western Ontario invites applications from both Canadian and international candidates for a Tier II Canada Research Chair in the area of Human Capital and Productivity, at the rank of probationary (tenure-track) Assistant, or probationary (tenure-track) Associate, or tenured Associate Professor, as qualifications and experience warrant, with a starting date of July 1, 2018 or later. Salary will be commensurate with experience.

The candidate will hold a PhD in Economics and will be an outstanding emerging scholar who has demonstrated innovation with the potential to achieve international recognition within five to ten years. The assessment of candidates will include consideration of the number and quality of peer-reviewed publications, success in securing research funding, and reputation in the field, as evidenced, for example, by a record of conference and seminar presentations, refereeing and editorial work, and similar measures. The candidate must propose an original research program that will attract external funding and excellent graduate students. The candidate will work with both the Office of Research Services and the Faculty of Social Science to develop a proposal to be submitted with the Chair nomination to the CRC Secretariat at the first available opportunity. All Chairs are subject to review and final approval by the CRC Secretariat. Applicants who are more than 10 years from having earned their Ph.D. (and where career breaks exist) may have their eligibility for a Tier 2 Chair assessed through the program’s Tier 2 justification process. Please refer to the CRC website for detailed information about the CRC Program: http://www.chairs-chaires.gc.ca/.

Western’s Department of Economics (www.economics.uwo.ca) has a long-standing reputation as a leading research department in Canada. It has an internationally renowned group of economists who work on research related to human capital and productivity. This includes work on human capital investment, post-secondary education financing; the determinants and measurement of firm productivity; the relationship between trade and productivity; the role of innovation in determining productivity; the social benefits of human capital; and the role of human capital in development and growth. Members of this research area contribute to and are supported by the Department’s Centre for Human Capital and Productivity (CHCP) (http://economics.uwo.ca/chcp/index.html) which has a mandate to support and disseminate research in these areas. We are seeking a scholar who will complement and/or expand on this departmental strength.

We encourage applicants from a diverse set of fields within economics who are researching issues related to human capital and productivity including labour economics, industrial organization, macroeconomics, growth, international trade, economics of education, immigration, and development economics. The candidate will play an important role in the Centre for Human Capital and Productivity enhancing not only the academic profile of the CHCP through research dissemination, but also its outreach and hence its reputation in private industry and public policy circles. The candidate will also play a role in the graduate and undergraduate programs in Economics including course development, supervision and/or administration. The ideal candidate will establish a competitive, internationally recognized research program, and bring leadership qualities that will enhance established strengths in the Department of Economics.

Review of applications will commence on October 15, 2017 and will continue until the position is filled. Candidates should complete and submit the following form: http://uwo.ca/facultyrelations/pdf/careers/Faculty/Application-FullTime-Faculty-Position-Form.pdf, as well as a covering letter, a detailed curriculum vitae, a description of a 5-7 year research plan, evidence of teaching success, a current working paper, and up to three refereed publications. The applicant must also arrange for at least three letters of reference to be sent to:
With annual research funding exceeding $220 million, and an international reputation for success, Western ranks as one of Canada’s top research-intensive universities. Our research excellence expands knowledge and drives discovery with real-world application. Western also provides an exceptional employment experience, offering competitive salaries, a wide range of employment opportunities and one of Canada’s most beautiful campuses. General information about Western can be found at http://www.uwo.ca.

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/visible minorities, Aboriginal persons, persons with disabilities, persons of any sexual orientation, and persons of any gender identity or gender expression.

Western University recognizes alternate career paths and/or career interruptions can impact research achievements. Candidates are encouraged to explain in their application, circumstances of how different career paths and/or career interruptions may have impacted them.

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 economics@uwo.ca or 519-661-3500.

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